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Israel says yes to talks

A WARM WELCOME

Rabbi Mordecai Zeitz, spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Tikvah in Montreal, assists an elderly Soviet woman off the plane at Ben Gurion Airport. Rabbi Zeitz led his congregation on a mission to Israel recently.

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

After over seven hours of intense debate, the Cabinet, by a 16-3 vote, on Sunday backed Prime Minister Shamir's recommendation to attend the Middle East peace conference in Madrid on Oct. 30.

Jordan was the first Arab state on Sunday night to both welcome the Cabinet vote and to express the hope that the conference will lead to regional peace.

"With this [Israeli acceptance] all the parties to the talks have agreed to attend and the convening of the conference has become a reality," Information Minister Mahmoud al-Sharif said.

"We hope this will be the beginning towards laying the basis of a true peace in the region."

U.S. President George Bush, at a golf course outside Washington, called the Cabinet vote "encouraging," but declined to elaborate.

Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini called the acceptance positive but questioned the government's sincerity.

"We believe that this is a good decision . . . and we hope that they [the Israelis] are not going to put any obstacles in the future," Husseini told reporters.

A PLO spokesman said he hoped Israel's decision to attend the conference would be followed by a decision to halt settlements in the territories.

Meanwhile, in an interview with Reuters in Gaza, the top Palestinian negotiator at the upcoming peace talks, Dr. Haider Abdel Shafi, indicated that the issue of Jerusalem should be deferred due to its complexity.

Shafi, who also called for a settlement freeze at the start of the talks, said, "I admit that we as Palestinians could see it as a very simple matter, but in reality, it is very complicated. In this sense, it is reasonable not to be in a rush to try to deal with this issue."

Algeria joined two other North African countries, Morocco and Tunisia, by saying it would attend the Madrid conference as observers, the official news agency APS reported.

After the Cabinet vote, Shamir dispatched Israel's favorable response to the U.S.-Soviet invitation with ambassador to the United States Zalman Shoval, who is returning to Washington.

Dissent was led by Housing Minister Ariel Sharon, who charged that Israel would be abandoned by the West at the conference, just as democratic Czechoslovakia was left to its fate before World War II.

Also voting against were Science Minister Yuval Ne'eman and Minister-without-Portfolio Rehavam Ze'evi. Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i abstained.

Not all those who supported Shamir were enthusiastic, sources said.

Some seemed to reflect the same mood of wariness and reluctance characterized by Shamir over the weekend when he said there is no alternative to attending the conference.

"We have achieved direct negotiations with our neighbors," Foreign Minister David Levy said at the close of the debate. "If there are things we cannot agree to, we won't agree. We did not yield on our principles. This is definitely an achievement we can be proud of."

Sources say the only dramatic moment in the meeting occurred when ministers asked Shamir what would happen if the Palestinian delegates announce at the conference they are part of the PLO. Shamir pounded his fist on the table, and said tersely, "then we won't be there."

According to the Cabinet decision, however, Israel's attendance is still contingent on its satisfaction with the makeup of the Palestinian delegation.

Notice

Due to the possibility of a postal disruption as we went to press, we did not distribute the Oct. 17 edition of *The Canadian Jewish News* through the mails.

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We will be returning to the mails with this issue, and will have additional papers available, should there be a walkout.

Soviets change mind...

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Israel received its first diplomatic payoff for agreeing to attend a Middle East peace conference in Madrid when the Soviet Union formally resumed full diplomatic relations with the Jewish state.

The move, announced by visiting Soviet Foreign Minister Boris Pankin, ended nearly a quarter century of abnormal relations between the two countries, a period that began when Moscow severed ties in the midst of the Six-Day War of 1967.

An agreement on the immediate renewal of relations was signed at a brief ceremony Friday at the Israeli Foreign Ministry by Pankin and his Israeli counterpart, David Levy.

A two-hour delay in the signing ceremony was said to have been due to Pankin's wish to confer beforehand with U.S. Secretary of State James Baker, to make sure that Israel had agreed to attend the Middle East peace conference, engineered by Baker and announced by Baker and Pankin an hour later.

Observers said the need for Pankin to obtain the American go-ahead indicated the degree to which the Soviet Union was now playing second fiddle to the United States in the peace negotiations.

At a joint Soviet-Israeli news conference after the signing ceremony, Pankin spoke of a more even-handed Soviet approach to the Middle East.

"In the past, the Soviet Union tended to sort of side with the Palestinians and the Arab state, while the U.S. sided with Israel, and this did not bring any tangible fruit," he said.

"The new approach now is certainly not to have any protegees and support their positions no matter what they say and no matter how legitimate they may be," he said.

Levy hailed the restoration of ties after what

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... so do the Chinese

By VIC ALHADEFF

BEIJING —

In a historic reversal of attitude, Communist China has acknowledged that the 1975 United Nations resolution equating Zionism with racism "does not accord with the facts."

This dramatic change of stance was expressed to World Jewish Congress co-chairman Isi Leibler in a watershed meeting in Beijing between China's Foreign Minister Qian Qichen and a World Jewish Congress delegation.

The 30-minute meeting took place in the Foreign Ministry.

The chairman of the Peoples' National Congress standing committee, Wan Li, also attended the meeting, which marked the conclusion of a five-day official visit to China by the WJC delegation, led by Australia-based Leibler and WJC advisory committee chairman Sol Kanee.

Leibler said afterwards he was "extremely encouraged by the warmth displayed by Qian and Wan towards the Jewish people and by their "sincere interest in improving relations between our two ancient peoples."

"It was made abundantly plain to us that China today regards the wording of the resolution as not according with the facts and a slanderous slur on the Jewish people," he said.

"I have not the slightest doubt, after talking to Mr. Qian, that the moment it becomes politically feasible, the Chinese will have no hesitation in ending what he clearly indicated has become a morally untenable and embarrassing association with a repugnant resolution."

The Chinese foreign minister also indicated that relations between Israel and China are

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Canada

Soviets help boost calibre of Israeli hockey

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The influx of Soviet Jews has raised the calibre of hockey played in Israel, but the most recent arrivals will not be able to lend their skills to the national team at the upcoming world championships, the head of the sport's governing body in Israel said recently.

Skaters who played at the Junior A and Junior B levels in the Soviet Union have recently joined the Israel National Hockey League, said Paul Shindman, but under rules set by international hockey's governing body, they must be citizens of the country they represent for three years.

Talented forwards Sergei Belo, Vinya (Benny) Shapiro, Boris Nogik and Sasha Stoller will have to be content with toiling in the Israeli league until they become eligible for international play, Shindman said.

As chairman of the Israeli Ice Hockey and Figure Skating Association (IIHFSA), Shindman has overseen developments in three ice sports in the Jewish state — hockey, figure skating and short track speed skating. He was in his hometown of Toronto recently where he addressed a meeting of supporters of hockey in Israel.

Prior to his 14-day visit to Canada, he attended the semi-annual meeting of the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) in Paris. The IIHF tentatively approved a shift in the location for the Pool C world championships in March 1992 from Athens to Johannesburg, South Africa.

As a member of Group B of Pool C, Israel will compete for a medal with hockey mini-powers Greece, South Africa, Turkey, Spain, Mexico, New Zealand and Luxemburg.

Gaining a medal should prove quite a challenge to the Israelis. The calibre of hockey in Israel is the equivalent to a good industrial league in Canada, Shindman said, but the Holy Land hockey enthusiasts showed last spring just how far they've come when they exacted a measure of revenge on the Canadian peace-keepers stationed in the Golan Heights.

Avenging a 20-2 drubbing in February 1990, the Israelis defeated the Canadians 9-8 on a controversial shot in the last minute of the game, Shindman said.

Olim force expansion

The influx of Soviets, a core of 14 Canadians and Israelis who have taken to the sport have boosted the quality of the country's national team and have forced expansion of the national league from four to six teams, Shindman said.

Joining Bat Yam, Ramat Gan, Haifa and the Jerusalem Capitals (the only team sporting a name) are Netanya and a second Jerusalem entry.

Games are played at a rink in Bat Yam, but because of its small surface area, the games are four on four hockey.

In addition to boosting the country's hockey program, Soviet emigres have brought some formidable figure skating talent to Israel.

Eight Russian coaches, as well as Canadian Trudy Harrington of London, Ont., teach the sport to about 400 youngsters, Shindman said.

Among the recently arrived new talent is Kostya Kaplan, the Ukrainian republic's 1989 ice dance champion. Unfortunately there are as yet no female skaters of his calibre in Israel.

Mikhail Chmerkin, who arrived only about a month ago, placed fourth in the men's singles competition at the 1986 Sarajevo Olympics and he has high hopes for representing Israeli in future Olympic Games. "This guy does a triple axel [as easily] as we open a door," Shindman said.

Meanwhile, in short track speed skating (held in a regulation size hockey rink), Israel has benefitted from the aliyah of Boris Drapkin, the former coach of the Russian national team.

Since all sports are in their formative stages, they suffer from a lack of equipment. There are shortages of hockey gear, particularly boys' goalie armor and speed skates.

Shindman suggested that those interested in donating equipment bring it to Israel as their second piece of luggage, and someone from the IIHFSA will pick it up at the Lod airport.

For more information, contact Avi Hyman, Canadian representative of IIHFSA, at (416) 781-5017.

In other developments, Maccabi Canada official Bernie Offstein said the organization is examining the possibility of including hockey as an official Maccabiah sport, or at least a demonstration event at the 1993 games.

To qualify as an official sport, four countries must compete. In addition to Canada and Israel, other possibilities include South Africa and Lithuania, he said.

Paul Shindman sports some of the equipment donated by Canadian supporters of hockey in Israel. [Paul Lungen photo]

Board grants religious holidays with pay

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A decision by a grievance settlement board is being hailed as allowing religious minorities to practise their faiths while not suffering financial penalties for taking time off from work.

The Ontario Crown Employees Grievance Settlement Board ruled last week that two Jewish employees suffered discrimination when their employers refused to grant them special leave with pay during Rosh Hashanah.

The three-person board ordered the Ministry of Government Services to compensate the employees, Sheila Kimmel and Stephen Leaf, for the time they took off to attend religious services.

In a 61-page judgment, the board found that a ministry rule that special leave with pay is not normally granted for religious holidays is discriminatory against members of minority religious groups.

"The result of the rule was to discriminate against them on the basis of creed, one of the prohibited grounds in. . . the collective agreement, by making them choose between a day's wages and the celebration of one of their holy days," the ruling stated.

The grievance board also found that, "The employer made no effort whatsoever in either case to explore alternative accommodation arrangements" and it criticized the ministry for exercising its discretion unreasonably in deciding whether to grant special leave with pay.

Raj Anand, the lawyer who represented Kimmel, Leaf and their bargaining unit, the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU), said the decision applies directly to about 60,000 unionized provincial public servants and "likely applies" also to management workers.

Anand, who once headed the Ontario

Raj Anand

Human Rights Commission (OHRC), said a recent development in labor practices is to include in collective bargaining agreements provisions already contained in the provincial Human Rights Code which preclude discrimination based on race, ancestry, creed, and other bases.

He said the move to incorporate terms of the code in collective agreements is designed to grant employees better protection since the grievance procedure is more expeditious than working through the badly backlogged OHRC.

Brent Gibbs, director of employee relations for the Management Board of cabinet, said the decision may lead the board to develop a policy focusing on leaves of absences. He agreed the decision will likely be seen as a precedent in other cases involving collective agreements where special leave is an issue.

He suggested however that the decision may leave open solutions other than providing a day of leave with pay.

Bernie Farber

Bernie Farber, associate director of community relations for Canadian Jewish Congress, said, "I think it's a very good decision."

Farber said Congress was often involved in discussions with private firms about accommodating their Jewish employees during religious holidays.

Anand said that since the collective bargaining agreement is based on provisions of Ontario human rights legislation, and was interpreted on that basis by the grievance board, the decision could be a precedent in the private sector as well.

The Toronto lawyer estimated that the ruling could cost the province $2.5 million to permit its employees to take off religious holidays.

The ruling notes that 83 employees of the Ministry of Labor were granted special leave between Sept. 1, 1990 and March 31 1991. "Special leave was given for Lent, Good Friday and Easter Monday for the Eastern [Orthodox] Rite, for Ukrainian Christmas, for the clebration of an unspecified Hindu holiday, for Chinese New Year, for Islamic New Year and for Rosh Hashanah."

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Former Neo-Nazi skinhead admits reality of racism

By
RANDY FISHER

OTTAWA —

"A lot of minorities gotta wake up and smell the coffee," said ex-neo-Nazi skinhead Brett Hayes. "It's [racism] out there and it's not going away," he said at a recent conference on youth and racist crime.

Hayes should know. He was influenced by his peers when he went to Winnipeg and learned how to rig car bombs. "From there I just took it one step at a time," he said of an uncontrolled life of fighting, arrests, and attempted murder.

He returned to Calgary and joined Final Solution, a neo-Nazi group and started "hitting" synagogues. Questions arose in his mind when the targets became confused.

"We did synagogues that weren't even synagogues — we even did Protestant churches."

Hayes, and 130 of his new peers combating racism were in Ottawa for the Canadian Jewish Congress conference on youth and racist crime held on Oct. 6 and 7 at the Chateau Laurier hotel. CJC received a grant of approximately $25,000 from Multiculturalism and Citizenship Canada, in addition to a grant from the City of Ottawa.

The conference kicked off Monday morning with Fil Fraser, Alberta human rights commissioner and member of the Spicer Commission. He called for an end to tribalism and the "corrosive racial hatreds" carried forward by younger generations.

Fraser exhorted parents to consider their own racist behavior and the negative examples they provide for their children. "No child is born racist," he said. "They have to be carefully taught."

Acknowledging that people join movements to validate their lives, Fraser said he didn't have any "snappy answers."

Fraser's address was followed by a series of rotating workshops, one on the psycho-social aspects of youth and racist crime and another on racist youth and the law.

David Attis, a complainant to the New Brunswick Human Rights Board of Inquiry believes that "the majority culture is totally insensitive to minorities." They can't conceive it happening because "they don't feel it," he said.

"They've never heard the words: 'Goddamn Jew'."

Universite de Montreal professor Yves Claude was on the first panel and cited confusion on the part of police between skinheads and neo-Nazi skinheads. He too saw no "magic solution," but rather the need for better and more education, especially by those working directly with youth.

Phil Moorman, of the Ottawa-Carleton Youth Services Bureau came armed with the results of a recent survey. While only 73 out of 3,500 youths being serviced by this bureau (average age 17) were polled, the results were revealing. Forty-six percent had abused one race or another, and 33 percent had verbally abused Jews. Thirty-eight percent said they were involved in racist crimes, and 70 percent of those said that they operated in a group.

Moorman said that in terms of targeting, 45 percent of the attacks were on blacks; 30 percent were on Jews; 30 percent on Orientals; and 35 percent on others. He said that the groups add up to more than 100 percent, because attacks could involve people from different categories.

Almost two-thirds of those surveyed come from families where violence is the norm, said Moorman. In addition, alcohol and substance abuse seems to play a role in these attacks.

Youth are not merely "dabbling" in racist crime but it is part of an ongoing process, said Moorman. What is very surprising, he said, is that only 3 percent showed any interest in learning about other ethnic groups.

"Youth are at risk of becoming actively racist," he said.

This is not a short-term phenomenon to be taken lightly; there will be consequences in 20 years, said Leonard Zeskind, a writer and research director at the Centre for Democratic Renewal in Atlanta, Georgia.

What happens when racists shed their boots and uniforms and become established members of society, able to wield some measure of power — political and otherwise? he asked.

"The most effective way of combatting this now, will be the development of an anti-racist youth movement or group," he said.

Liam McCarthy, Ottawa organizer of Skinheads Against Racial Prejudice (SHARP) agreed. "Youth has to be organized and motivated to defend themselves from racist violence," he said.

McCarthy believes his group is chronically underfunded and often ignored by the mainstream polity, often to the advantage of racists.

"More confidence and funds have to be channelled towards youth," he said, especially since young people tend to trust each another over parents or authority figures.

McCarthy believes his message would be quite cost-effective. The way he sees it, photocopying anti-hate literature is his group's biggest expense. "We don't need money for airfare and we don't have to stay at the Chateau Laurier," he said.

Brett Hayes, a SHARP organizer in Alberta called on the federal government to stop talking and conducting surveys and start funding anti-racist organizations to make the public more aware of the problem of racism. These groups are the ones that are going to do the legwork — not the governments, he said.

Natalie Blitt, an 18-year-old economics and political science student at McGill University and former B'nai Brith Youth Organization regional president had another vantage point.

Lip service is paid to the role of youth in combating racism. So why don't Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith put their money where their mouths are? she said.

Whenever there is a lack of funds in the Jewish community "we are always the first ones to get hit," she said, alluding to B'nai Brith's $400,000 budget slashing and the suspension of youth activities. "That's just not acceptable," Blitt said.

University of Montreal professor Yves Claude holds up a Nazi/skinhead record. [Randy Fisher photo]

NDP wins majority in B.C.

By
MAURICE LUCOW

VICTORIA —

British Columbia has followed the lead of Ontario and elected an NDP government which literally devastated the long-ruling Social Credit Party.

The NDP took 51 seats; the Liberals, who came up from nowhere, captured 17 seats, and Socreds managed to get seven seats. Premier Rita Johnston lost her seat in the Vancouver suburb of Surrey-Newton.

In her concession speech, Johnston said: "I have to be honest . . . I think the results stink." But the gentlemanly 47-year-old Mike Harcourt, who will be the new premier, paid tribute to Johnston for her 20 years of public service in civic and provincial politics.

Swept into office with the NDP win was Vancouver lawyer Bernie Simpson who knocked out his Socred opponent, Jonathan Baker. Simpson has been mentioned in the media as having a chance of becoming attorney-general, although there are a couple of other prominent NDP lawyers in the running.

Simpson, a practising Jew who attends Beth Israel Synagogue regularly and observes kashruth *(CJN,* Oct. 10), has a fighting chance of gaining the AG's office because he chaired the Mayor's Campaign for Family Relief in 1984-85 when Harcourt was mayor of Vancouver.

If he doesn't get the attorney-general's post, he's fairly certain to get a cabinet job, possibly in social services or health as he has a Bachelor of Social Work degree as well as a law degree, and for a time was a social worker with the Children's Aid Society and Riverview Hospital.

Another Jewish NDP candidate, Stuart Hertzog, who also ran in a Vancouver constituency, was defeated by a Liberal.

Premier-elect Harcourt, responding to a questionnaire from Canadian Jewish Congress, Pacific Region, said the NDP will actively combat hate propaganda and racially motivated crime through an education program in the schools and in society as a whole; also through a strong Human Rights Code.

Wilson told Congress he would move "directly and swiftly" against any individual or group that seeks to promote racism or practises violence against any religious or ethnic groups."

An also-ran in the election was Victoria lawyer Doug Christie, who has defended Jim Keegstra and Ernst Zundel. He ran under the banner of his Western Canada Concept Party in Saanich South, a Victoria suburb.

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Canada

Canadian Reform Judaism may be facing identity crisis

By
RANDY FISHER

OTTAWA —

At a crossroads in its evolution, Canadian Reform Judaism is facing an identity crisis, said a synagogue panel speaking on the future of the movement. And how effective its appeals are to young adults will determine its course.

There aren't enough opportunities for young people to buy in, said Ottawa-born Shauna Van Praagh, a doctoral student at Columbia University in New York. Young Jewish adults are sophisticated and have a variety of concerns, including the future of Canada, a cure for AIDS, pay equity, and the plight of the homeless and the hungry, she said. "It's a mistake" to think that singles events satisfy their needs, she said.

Asking about the potential for becoming involved in a Reform congregation, Van Praagh said that many young people did not have the time to sit on myriad committees. Single young people seem to be on the priority backburner, she said.

"It has been much easier to be involved if you come in with a spouse and a baby."

That call was heeded by the almost 300 who came to hear the panel speak. Orthodoxy's hold on affiliated Canadian Jewry is slipping with Conservative and most notably, Reform taking up the slack. The U.S. experience is instructive. The key to Reform's future success is making contact and inroads with children of members of Conservative and Orthodox congregations, said Temple Israel member and journalist Pat Bell.

Synagogue home to 350 families

Van Praagh, along with moderator Rabbi Sanford Seltzer, director of research for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in Boston, Rabbi Elyse Goldstein from the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Toronto, Rabbi Daniel Gottlieb of the Canadian Conference of Liberal Congregations, was at the Temple Israel synagogue to celebrate its 25th anniversary.

The synagogue, home to 350 families, held a a weekend-long (Oct. 11-13) series of events marking its past, present and future. The event, which took one year to plan included: a display of archives and memorabilia, an Oneg Shabbat, a special Shabbat morning service using an unpublished egalitarian booklet, a Parliament Hill dinner gala and dance, and the panel discussion on Reform Judaism's future.

May well want to assert their influence

"Reform Jews are ready to commit to something and it is up to us to give them that something," said Goldstein. But there are times that are not negotiable.

Reform Judaism must have certain bottom lines that define itself, and must be adhered to if one is to be identified as a Reform Jew, said Goldstein. One limit is not eating on Yom Kippur (except for medical reasons) and another is not eating bread on Pesach, she said.

"Reform Judaism must begin to redefine the meaning of mitzvot for Reform Jews," said Goldstein. With education, time and effort, the payoff will be a much higher level of self-esteem and confidence.

The transition is accompanied by the acceptance of responsibility, said Rabbi Gottlieb in answer to a question posed from the floor. As the numbers of affiliated Reform Jews grow, increasingly they must take responsibility for their own institutions, he said.

A case in point is the Chevra Kadisha, said a member of the audience. Ottawa is a rarity in that it still has such a society. The problem posed for Reform Jews in Ottawa is that it is run and staffed by members of the Orthodox community and they (Reform Jews) have to tow their (the Orthodox) line. Sharp disagreements have cropped up over the years but declined somewhat when Ottawa's reform community got its own cemetery.

"As we grow in numbers and proportional representation in our community," said Rabbi Gottlieb, "it may be that we need our own chevra kadisha and not be defined by others (the Orthodox)."

In addition, as Reform Jews build their own self-concept, they may well want to assert their influence on the determination of community priorities, he said. Especially when it comes to money.

"There will come a time when we won't want to 'cede authority' to the Orthodox minority," Gottlieb said.

"That time is overdue, but it is not on the horizon."

Rabbi Goldstein rejected any comparisons between the Orthodox and Reform communities. The temptation to look at chassidic Jews and say that they're carrying on the culture and the religion is patently false, she said. "I am asking Reform Jews to understand themselves as the legitimate future of Judaism and to be identifiable as Jews.

"It pains me when Reform Jews question their own authenticity and [consequently] delegitimize themselves," she said. Giving money only makes it worse.

"It's guilt money," she said. "Our institutions go begging for our funds."

Rabbi Gottlieb categorically rejected the suggestion that there were not enough Reform resources in smaller communities. He pointed to 23 Reform congregations across the country with all but four having rabbis. Among those, two are staffed by student rabbis, he said. "The synagogue world is not like the church. Rabbis are not pledged to go anywhere," he said.

"If there is any truth to the demographic trends, then proportionately Reform Judaism will grow and this will enable the Jewish community to sustain more professionals."

'Centre of movement should be in Ottawa'

Gottlieb also said that Reform network resources were available to constituent members but "if the resources are not approrpriate to the size of the community," then that's a problem for the community, he said.

Temple Israel 25th anniversary co-chair Gary Viner believes there is a sore need for Reform Jewish leaders and educators to locate in communities other than Montreal and Toronto, for professional or civic-minded reasons.

"I think that the centre of the movement should be in Ottawa, like the Centre for Social Action in Washington," he said.

"We're not a backwater — we have strength to draw upon."

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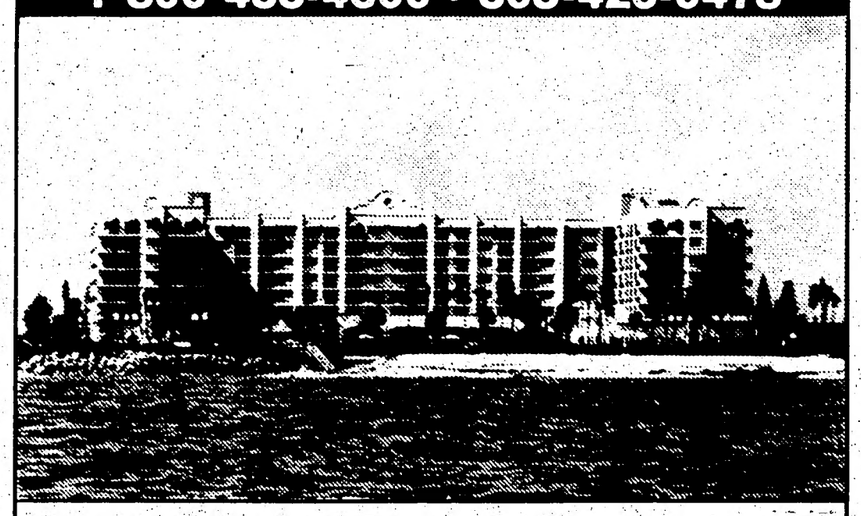

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Metulla mayor wants sports mecca of Israel

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

When people think of Israel, they rarely think of winter sports.

Sabras, of course, are familiar with the skiing offered at Mount Hermon in the country's northern reaches. But for most tourists and Israelis alike, the country is more likely to conjure images of sun-drenched beaches than of mid-winter hockey or figure skating competitions.

Yossi Goldberg wants to change all that. As mayor of Metulla, which sits on the border with Lebanon, he would like to transform the northern Galilee community into the winter sports mecca of Israel.

At the heart of his plans is expansion of the existing skating surface of the Canada Centre recreation complex to Olympic dimensions while also providing seats for 1,000 spectators. That, he believes, will attract many visitors, turning Metulla into the country's winter sport centre and a major tourist destination in Israel.

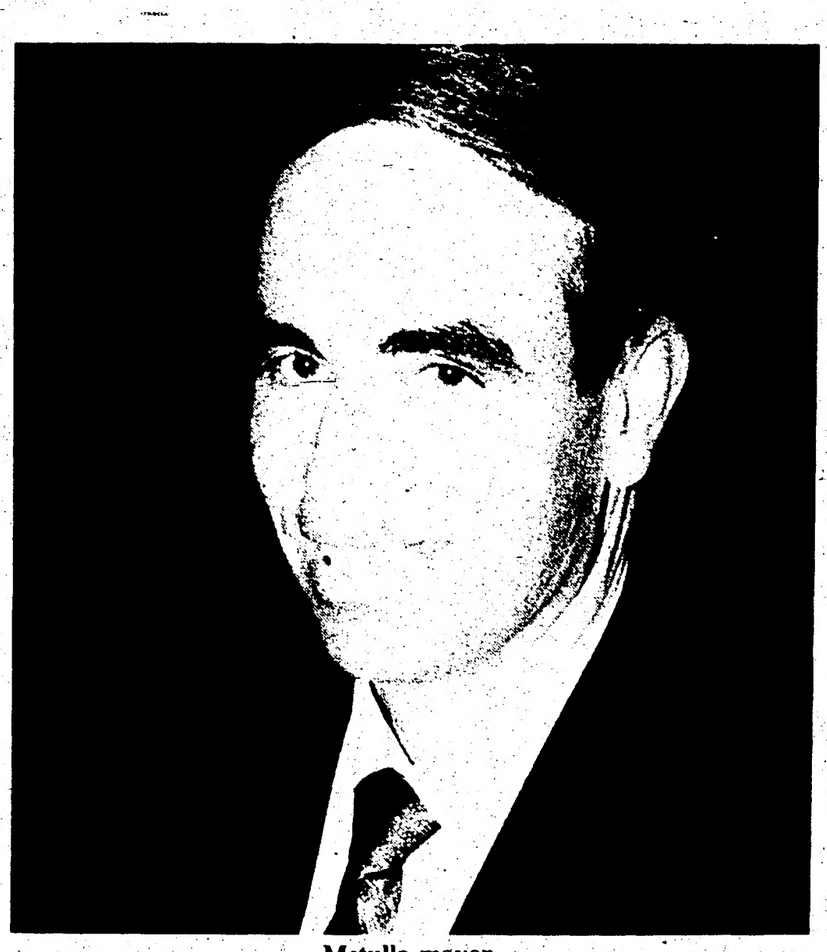
An Olympic-sized ice surface would make the city the centre for hockey, figure skating and short track (indoor) speed skating, he said, and likely be the site of anticipated Maccabiah hockey competition.

Ten years ago, before the first of 1,200 shells and rockets fell on Metulla and the surrounding area, that idea may have been nothing but a pipe dream. But the 10-day bombardment of July 1981 led to the creation of one of the country's finest recreational complexes, which includes one of Israel's best skating rinks.

Known as Canada Centre because of the strong financial support provided by the United Israel Appeal of Canada, the complex has gone beyond its initial goals of normalizing the lives of Metulla's youth who lived through constant border tensions. Last year, it attracted more than 350,000 visitors to Metulla, providing a major boost to the economy of northern Galilee.

Vacationers from as far as Beersheva and even Eilat make the trek to Metulla and the nearby Mount Hermon to participate in winter sports, Goldberg said.

Goldberg, who also serves as a Likud member of the Knesset, gives much of the credit for the success of Canada Centre to the vision of the late Walter Hess, former executive director of the UIA. Hess was a major player in pushing for the development of Israel's north and of Canada Centre, Goldberg said.



Metulla mayor
Yossi Goldberg

Not only does the complex allow "the kids in the north to feel like normal children with special facilities [to enjoy], it convinces others not to be afraid to visit the [area]," said Goldberg, in Toronto to attend the shloshim service that ends the 30-day mourning period following Hess' death.

Throughout the Galilee, members of kibbutzim, moshavim and development towns make use of the modern facilities — and reap the benefits of increased tourism.

Inside his attache case are the expansion plans he has brought to Canada to show officials of the UIA. Half the price tag is accounted for, he said. All that is required is UIA's agreement to provide the remaining amount.

UIA president Julia Koschitzky, who met with Goldberg during his Toronto visit, said it was "premature" to say whether UIA will participate in Goldberg's plans. The organization is now examining its commitments to a variety of projects, and she noted that there is a great call on Canadian-raised funds to help in the absorption of new olim.

Goldberg, no doubt anticipating those concerns, told *The CJN* that in addition to creating construction jobs during the life of the project, the finished complex will further stimulate the region's economy and provide jobs for Soviet Jews.

He estimates that more than 4,000 jobs in the hospitality business can be attributed to the inflow of the 350,000 visitors, helping the economies of Metulla and surrounding moshavim, kibbutzim and development towns which provide guest houses for the tourists.

The centre itself has provided jobs for 60 people, including several recently-arrived Soviet olim.

Six Soviet masseurs work in the complex while two others — circus people from the Kirghiz republic — last winter put on a show (which including gymnastics and a high wire act) for some of the 20,000 visitors who came to Metulla last Chanukah.

Goldberg said he hoped to begin construction in April 1992, with completion slated for some time in November.

Hess eulogized at service

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Walter Hess was eulogized here last week in a shloshim memorial as someone who embodied a standard not only in Jewish communal service, but for those committed to Israel and its people.

Hess, the former executive vice-president of United Israel Appeal of Canada, died Sept. 16 at the age of 53 after a long struggle with cancer.

A who's who of the Jewish community joined the 150 or so who attended the service at Beth Emeth Synagogue, including Shlomo Hillel, the world chairman of Keren Hayesod and a former speaker of Israel's parliament, Yossi Goldberg, a member of the Knesset, and Mendel Kaplan, chairman of the Jewish Agency's board of governors.

Hess "touched the lives of Jews around the world," said Rabbi Joseph Kelman, spiritual leader of the shul to which Hess and his family belonged. He "educated, inspired and influenced those dedicated not only to the cause of Israel but to Clal Yisrael," Rabbi Kelman said.

Walter Hess

Julia Koschitzky, president of UIA Canada, recalled how she found in Hess a "nobility of character and a clear-thinking, powerful mind."

She read a letter of tribute to Hess from Joe Ain, a past president of UIA Canada.

Goldberg too lauded Hess as a great leader known virtually everywhere in Israel, but especially in the northern town of Metulla. Goldberg, who is Metulla's mayor, recalled how Hess and UIA Canada took the town under its wing and rejuvenated it by helping build a multi-million dollar sports and recreation complex there.

In gratitude, Hess was made an honorary citizen of Metulla, Goldberg remarked.

Hillel likened Hess to the 15th century Spanish poet and Jewish thinker Yehuda Ha'Levi, who wrote that while he was in the west, his heart lay in the east. "Walter Hess's heart was always in Jerusalem," Hillel said.

A tear-choked reminiscence of Hess came from his daughter, Yvonne Tadier.

Kaplan, who like Hess was born in South Africa, paid an emotional tribute to his countryman as a born leader and skilled advocate for Israel.

Cantor Louis Danto recited the K'El Moleh Rachamin and led yizkor.

The family has requested that all donations in Hess's memory be made to Operation Exodus.

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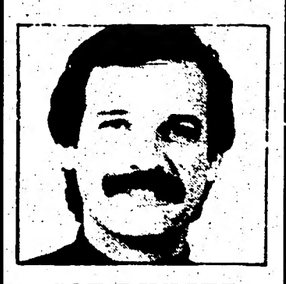

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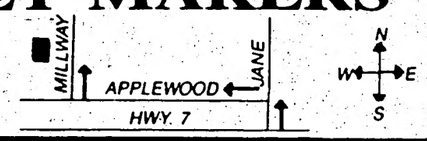

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דער ווינניפּעגער קאָמיטעט פאַר יידיש ביים קאַנאַדער יידישן קאָנגרעס איז זייער גוט אָרגאַניזירט. כמעט אַלע ווינניפּעגער „סיניאָר״ גרופּן — אַ 5־6 — זיינען אָנגעשלאָסן אין דעם קאָמיטעט. מיר האָבן אויך אַ יונגע „ירושה״ גרופּע, און דער בני ברית יידישער לאַדזש, וואָס איז דער איינציקער יידישער לאַדזש אין אַמעריקע און קאַנאַדע, איז זייער אַקטיוו און גוט באַקאַנט אין שטאָט מיט אַ 5־6 קולטורעלע פאָלקס פאַרזאַמלונגען אין יאָר, תמיד מיט אַ פיינעם, צוגעגרייטן יידישן אינהאַלט.

אונדזער יאָר אַקטיוויטעטן הויבן מיר אָן מיט אַ קאָנפערענץ פאַר יידיש, אַרום אַ וואָך פאַר פּסח, וועלכע איז אויך אָרגאַניזירט פון דער וועלט־צענטער פאַר יידיש. מיר זיינען פריווילעגירט צו האָבן אַ שיינעם אָרט אין ירושלים, ווי אויך אַ גוטע פּרעסע. אין יאָר 1990, ווי אויך אַ טייל פון 1991, האָבן מיר געהאַט צוויי יידישע דערפאָלג־רייכע קאָנצערטן מיט לאה שלאָנגער און הדסה קעסטין, וואָס האָבן צוגיצויגן אַרום 300 באַזוכער. מיר לאָזן ניט דורך קיין שלום־עליכם יום־טוב יעדן יאָר. מיר באַטייליקן זיך אַקטיוו אין „בוך־חודש״. ביי די צוויי נאַציאָנאַלע פאָלקס פאַרזאַמלונגען, די וויכטיקסטע אין שטאָט — יום העצמאות און נגב דינער — וואָס ציט צו אַן עולם פון 12 הונדערט מענטשן, גיט מען אונדז אַ געלעגנהייט צו זאָגן אַ פּאָר ווערטער אין יידיש.

די יידישע ראַדיאָ גייט רעגולער, אַ גאַנץ יאָר. יעדן וונטיק אַ שעה, אין גאַנצן אין יידיש, אַפילו די מעלדונגען. די טעלעווייזיע, יעדן דאָנערשטיק, אַ האַלבע שעה, בשעת וועלכע מיר האָבן אינטערוויוס, געסט, מעלדונגען וועגן יאָרצייטן, יום־טובים, פאָרלעזונגען — זייער אַן אינטערעסאַנטע יידישע האַלבע שעה. צו דעם האָבן מיר אויך 8־9 מאָל אין יאָר אַ גאַנצע שעה טעלעוויזיע איינמאָל אַ חודש — פערציק מינוט ענגליש און צוואַנציק מינוט יידיש. מיר זיינען פריווילעגירט אין ווינניפּעג מיט אַ יידישן קאָלום אין דער ענגליש־יידישער „דזשויש פּאָסט״ יעדע וואָך. דאָס איז באמת אַ גרויסע הילף פאַר יידן, וואָס באַקומען ניט קיין יידישע צייטונג און ווייסן ניט וועגן אַ סַך יידישע נייעס, וואָס די אַלגעמיינע פּרעסע גיט ניט איבער. פון צייט צו צייט קריג איך אַ טעלעפאָן־רוף, וואָס בעט מיך זיי צו העלפן איבערלייענען מיין קאָלום, דאָס איז זייער איינציקע געלעגנהייט צוריק קומען צו יידיש.

מיר האָבן דורך ראַדיאָ, דורך טעלעוויזיע און ביי אַ צאָל פאַרזאַמלונגען פאָפולער געמאַכט די קאָנפערענץ פאַר יידיש אין מאָסקווע, ווי אויך צוגעזאָגט דעם פאַראינטערעסירטן עולם, אַז אין אָקטאָבער וועלן מיר איינלאַדן אונדזער נאַציאָנאַלן פרעזידענט, פיליפּ גיוועגנס, אונדז צו געבן אַ באַריכט פון דער היסטאָרישער אסיפה פאַר יידיש אין מאָסקווע, ביי וועלכער ער איז געווען דער קאַנאַדער פאַרטרעטער.

מיר האָבן פלענער צו אָרגאַניזירן אַ קלאַס פאַר יידיש אין קומענדיקן סעזאָן. מיר האָפן אויסצוברייטערן אונדזערע יידיש־אַקטיוויטעטן ביי אונדז אין שטאָט.

Israel to restructure health care system

By
MAURICE LUCOW

VANCOUVER — The Israel government plans to "take the bureaucracy out of the health system" by restructuring the operation of its hospitals, Israeli Health Minister Ehud Olmert said in an interview here with *The CJN*.

As of Jan. 1, 1992, independent "public trusts" will run the hospitals, with the expectation that this will speed up health services, make facilities more accessible and provide a system which, in general, "will be more attractive" to the public.

The trusts will lease the hospitals from the government and run them almost on the basis of a private enterprise. Hospitals will be competitive in offering services "so that the people who are covered by health insurance will get the service they are entitled to" instead of having to turn to private health facilities, as many do now, because they have to wait so long to be attended to. For example, Olmert pointed out, the waiting period for a bypass is about two years because of bureaucratic delays.

The trusts will develop their own policies and decide on salary scales. "The hospital's balance sheet at the end of the year will determine how productive the staff is and what improvements have to be made to enhance service," the minister said.

Olmert stressed, however, that while hospitals will operate on their own, the government will supervise strict quality control.

The Health Ministry, with 28,000 employees, is the largest employer in the public sector, other than the defence department. About eight percent of the GNP is spent on health care.

The minister, who was here to launch the annual Combined Jewish Appeal campaign, said the restructuring of the hospital system is one phase of the government's plan to move from socialism to a freer economy. "Competition is the name of the game," he said, but for the time being it will be "controlled competition."

Discussing the influx of Soviet Jews, Olmert said this was a great event in the history of the country. However, about 2½ percent of the Soviet olim are doctors and since 1989 a total of 9,000 Soviet doctors have entered the country. Added to the 12,500 doctors already there, Israel now has far too many doctors, or, as he put it, "we don't have enough patients." Israel's percentage of doctors to the population "is the highest in the world."

Olmert said most of the immigrant doctors are not up-to-date on new techniques and new medicines. All incoming doctors must take a refresher course and only 60 per cent of them pass. "That eliminates some of the problem of over-supply, but it also creates a problem of what to do with people who have been practising medicine in their own countries and are not able to practice in Israel. It's one of the many adjustments the new olim have to make."

Asked about the state of relations between Israel and the United States, especially the question of the United States delaying a guarantee of a $10 billion loan for housing, Olmert, who is a member of the government's inner cabinet, said it's hoped the guarantee will eventually come through.

He pointed out that the loan comes from commercial banks and not from the U.S. treasury and that if it isn't guaranteed, the interest rate could be from two to three per cent higher, which on $10 billion could add up to $300 million. He agreed it's a problem that the government would like to solve promptly. Olmert added that $2 billion is needed at once.

Meanwhile, thousands of new homes are being built, Olmert said, and he was definite that "everybody will have a home" before winter sets in. New olim, whether Russians or Ethiopians, can rent or buy with no down payment.

In his speech at the CJA opener, Olmert said Israel rejects the linkage between the settlement of immigrants for humanitarian purposes with the U.S. demands not to build on the West Bank or Golan Heights. He declared that Israel will not return to the 1967 borders and "while we need and hope for U.S. support, regardless of what happens no one in Israel will be without a home or a job."

He said that if the Israeli government accepted the U.S. demand for a freeze on the settlements, it would be tantamount to accepting Arab demands that Israel withdrew from all the territories as a prerequisite to peace negotiations.

As for the potential peace conference, Olmert said he could make no predictions when it will be held or, if it is held, what the outcome will be. The results will depend on whether the Arabs are ready for direct negotiations with Israel, he said.

Olmert was critical of U.S. President George Bush's recent comment that the United States had risked the lives of American troops to save Israelis from the Scuds during the Persian Gulf war. "I thought," he added sarcastically, "that the war was fought to save democracy in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia."

A lawyer by profession, Olmert, who is a Sabra, was first elected to the Knesset in 1973 and at the age of 28 was the youngest MK. He has been in the Knesset ever since. His father was an MK from 1955 to 1962.

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Israel

Israeli electoral reform receives little support

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Legislation aimed at reforming Israel's much-criticized electoral system is facing an uphill battle in the Knesset.

Although the legislation has broad support across party lines, Likud backing for the reforms has eroded in recent days, following indications by Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir that he is inclined to oppose the draft bills now in committee.

The bills call for direct election of the prime minister.

Some political observers predict the measure will die for lack of support at the top. Most agree that prospects for passage before the next statutory elections, still a year away, have dimmed.

Nevertheless, the reform lobby is not ready to concede.

Several pro-reform groups, including the Association of American and Canadian Immigrants, published large newspaper advertisements this week demanding that Shamir and his lieutenants honor past pledges to allow Likud Knesset members to vote their conscience on the issue, regardless of the party leadership's position.

Those pledges were secured by vigorous public lobbying last year and early this year.

While the opposition Labor Party is firmly committed to the proposed reforms, the small parties in the Likud-led coalition, fearful of losing influence, and possibly their seats in the Knesset, oppose them.

If Shamir throws his weight behind the reforms' opponents, or if the party formally decides to oppose reform, only a handful of Likud Knesset members are likely to break party discipline — hardly enough to secure the 61-vote minimum a constitutional measure needs to become law.

Likud, of course, is aware that the popularity of electoral reform is directly related to widespread voter disgust with the present system.

The public's disaffection began with the collapse of the Likud-Labor unity government in March 1990. Because neither major party commanded sufficient Knesset mandates to govern alone, they turned to the small Orthodox parties, granting those parties influence far beyond their electoral strength.

Many Israelis were furious that the coalition-making machinery was effectively controlled by an ultra-Orthodox rabbi in Bnei Brak, Eliezer Schach, and his arch rival in Brooklyn, the Lubavitcher rebbe, Menachem Schneerson, who has never set foot in Israel.

Israelis were also repelled by the tactics of Finance Minister Yitzhak Moda'i's short-lived splinter party, The Movement for the Zionist Ideal, which sat on the fence until the last moment, making threats and demands of both major parties, before falling back into the Likud camp.

Such spectacles could be eliminated if voters cast direct ballots for prime minister, effectively ending a candidate's dependence on the support of splinter factions.

But the opposition to reform is by no means confined to politicians who may have a vested interest in the old system.

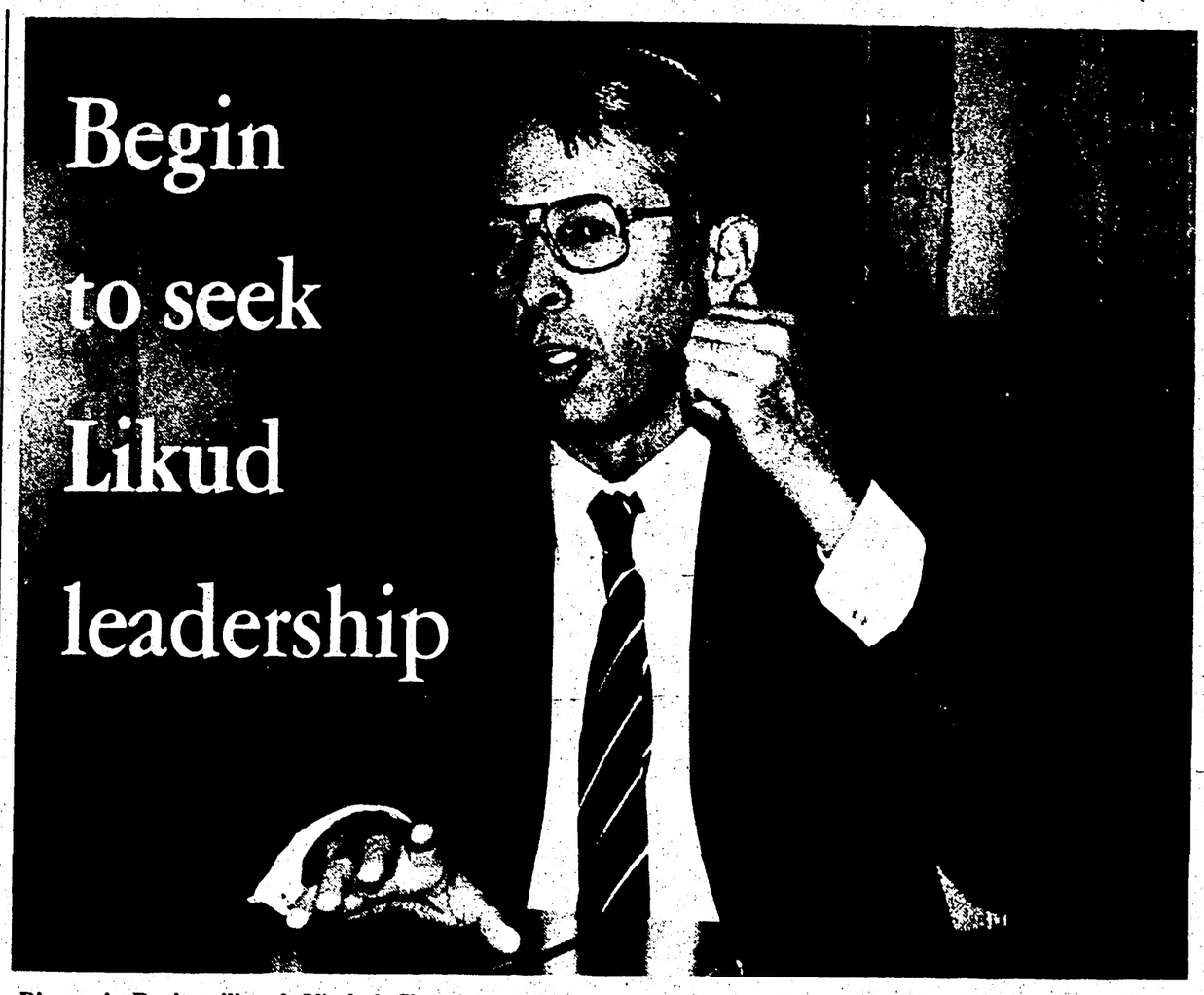
Some leading academicians believe the direct election of the prime minister would be an inappropriate, disruptive change in a system that is based on the British concept of Cabinet government closely accountable to parliament, rather than the American system of separate legislative and executive branches.

Some political scientists say more stable governments could be achieved by raising the "threshold" for entry into parliament.

At present, a party needs to poll only one percent of the popular vote to win a Knesset seat, compared, for example, to Germany, where the entry level is five percent.

Another frequently discussed reform proposal is the introduction of an element of constituency or district voting into Israel's national proportional representation system.

But that idea is not presently under active consideration.



Binyamin Begin will seek Yitzhak Shamir's job when the Likud party leader retires. [Paul Lungen photo]

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

First-term Likud Knesset member Binyamin Begin surprised the public and politicians alike last week by announcing that he would be a candidate for prime minister whenever Yitzhak Shamir decides to retire.

His television statement sent shockwaves through the Likud bloc, where older, better-known politicians are engaged in a power struggle to succeed the incumbent.

Begin, the 48-year-old only son of former Prime Minister Menachem Begin, is acknowledged to be one of the most promising members of Likud's rising younger generation. But his bid for leadership of the party is considered premature.

The younger Begin, who holds a doctorate in geology, was elected to the Knesset in 1988 and has never held a Cabinet or even sub-Cabinet post, normally a prerequisite for advancement to the highest office.

Many observers linked Begin's announcement to the latest statement by Ariel Sharon, who, unlike Begin, indicated that he might challenge the 75-year-old Shamir in next year's elections.

Sharon's drive for the Likud leadership has split the party into competing camps.

Begin is openly hostile to the housing minister. He blames Sharon for misleading his father about plans for the invasion of Lebanon in 1982, when Sharon was defence minister. The invasion, which originally was planned to accomplish limited security objectives, ultimately embroiled Israel in its longest, costliest and most divisive war.

But the younger Begin's opposition to Sharon has not heartened other political foes of the outspoken hawk. In fact, they fear Begin's candidacy will further split the anti-Sharon camp.

At the moment, that camp consists of two factions, one led by Shamir and Defence Minister Moshe Arens, and the other led by Foreign Minister David Levy.

Until now, Begin belonged to the Shamir-Arens bloc. Arens' only comment about Begin's announcement was that he "has the right to run."

Begin denied that the timing of his bid has any significance. But some observers said he was signaling the United States that if Shamir wavers or even steps down under U.S. pressure during this critical stage of the peace process, there are others in Likud of like mind, ready to take up his mantle.

Begin, in fact, has taken increasingly tough positions recently against what some right-wing circles in Israel perceive to be a lessening of Washington's concern for Israel's security.

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Front Line

Israel's leaders should embrace peace prospects

ANALYSIS

By
YESHAYAHU ANUG

Only if the American push will be stronger than the temptation to frustrate the face-to-face encounter will the peace conference take off. Nobody in the Middle East seems ready to compromise, but then nobody wants to see the spoiler's face in his own mirror. U.S. Secretary of State James Baker works hard to please everyone by annoying everyone in equal measure.

The restoration of diplomatic relations by the also travelling Soviet foreign minister will express the Soviets' desire to be on board as equal sponsors. The government in Jerusalem knows that once the conference opens and does not blow up, that if direct negotiations start and are not sabotaged, the enterprise will acquire its own dynamics.

Within the Israeli cabinet there is a narrow majority for the establishment of autonomy in the West Bank and Gaza. This would be a major change of the present situation, in which Israel has total control of these territories. If Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir is now reconciled to the idea, he must also be ready to risk the desertion of his ultra-rightist coalition partners. Is he himself so keen on the project as to rely on promised Labor support in parliament? Or will he prefer general elections, to get independent support or to stop the clock once more?

His opening statement in the Knesset was firm as far as territories and settlements are concerned and an unusually militant address by Shimon Peres sounded like the opening shot of an electoral campaign. The struggles for leadership within both major parties are bound to complicate matters even more. Yitzhak challenged Peres all these years and now Sharon openly challenges Shamir.

But Israel does not live in a vacuum. Eight months ago we all experienced the sweet taste of the American victory over Saddam. Now we know that Iraq's most deadly war potential was then unsuspected, undiscovered and basically untouched. Who, except the Americans, have now the strength and the will to bring about the destruction of the remaining Iraqi threat?

Yeshayahu Anug

In this context it is very disturbing, that right now the American-Israeli relations are at such a low point, that when Scud-launching Iraqi scoundrels protested the violation of their airspace by Israeli jets, the American misgivings over the flights were also quite outspoken. Some local politicians were quick to tell the public that Israel cannot trust the United States. A pointless conclusion, which could lead to the even more doubtful one, that "we must now rely on ourselves alone."

This sounds very courageous, but is neither true nor reassuring. And yet such third-rate Israeli politicians are contributing to the present difficulties with the United States by flexing their flabby muscles. The bizarre attempt to "settle" Jews in the Arab slum of Silvan, also known as the City of David, "where Jews acquired rights," was a primitive provocation, clearly aimed at embarrassing Baker on the eve of his eighth visit.

The more judicious elements in the Likud, who until now have supported or tolerated the escalation of the economically wasteful and politically dangerous settlement fever, are joining the large portion of Israeli public opinion in the festival that if the government will not control the fanatics, it will end up by being controlled by them.

It is a fact that the Bush-Baker style is very different and lacks the warmth of the benign one used by the Reagan-Shultz team. But politicians who have wasted the rosier opportunities available then, must now be extra cautious. Israel enjoys a great deal of goodwill in all the sectors of the U.S. power-house and in American public opinion. It follows, that if this government cannot do better, there must be a change and if a Likud-Labor alternative is too radical a cure, elections will have to be held.

True, the peace process will then be put on hold and will take off again afterwards with better chances of American-Israeli coordination. But the forthcoming electoral campaign, anticipated or not, will have to be fought openly and courageously on the very dividing issue of the risks of an uneasy peace versus the tragedy of continuous hostilitiies.

If the peace conference will start, it will have to be steered by resolute American manipulation towards the next minefield, that of direct negotiations. How all this will develop is anybody's guess. Here is a plausible scenario:

- At the ceremonial peace conference heads of governments or foreign ministers make energetic and not all that realistic statements, aimed at their own home audiences, which are all glued to their TV sets. The novelty of the event is neutralized by the sterility of propaganda.
- Direct negotiations between parties follow shortly and go on, accompanied by conflicting reports about insurmountable difficulties and imminent breakdowns. There will be dramatic interruptions. The opponents of peace on all sides will do their utmost to sabotage any progress. The participating governments will have to use unusual methods to avoid loss of internal control. No tangible results can possibly emerge.

What will really matter are not these two obligatory tests, but a third, far more meaningful dimension of the American peace initiative. A parallel set of unpublicized and discreet contacts between the parties will have to be established and closely assisted by the sponsors. The agenda will have to include broader aspects of coexistence, such as arms-control, security arrangements, regional economic development and environment.

The aim will not be to reach comprehensive solutions at once or to draft peace treaties for which the time has not yet come, but to find practical and gradual solutions in the West Bank and Gaza (beyond autonomy), in the Golan Heights and, at a later stage, even in indivisible Jerusalem.

Whether this essential third scheme will work is uncertain. It will have to rely more on American skill and determination than on the voluntary co-operation of the parties. If progress is to be made, these will have to lower their aspirations and learn to live in a state of diminishing tension, until a psychological breakthrough will facilitate more lasting arrangements.

This is going to be a very tough assignment and it will be in Israel's best interests, that the Americans should indeed persist. A far-sighted Israeli leadership would encourage them to do so.

OPINION

There are so many important things about Israel

By
DR. JONATHAN METZL

'Warmth and energy here will be a part of me'

I am writing this letter for the old, Orthodox man in the black fur hat who yelled at me as I rode by on my bicycle on this, a Saturday afternoon in Tel Aviv.

"Shabbas" he yelled, his white beard blowing in the afternoon wind, his wrinkled, knowing face a mixture of anger and acceptance, "Shabbas!" The sweat covered his forehead as he walked in the warm sun past the world of open pubs, of thousands of people enjoying the Saturday afternoon air on the beach, of young couples kissing in the park, of a nation that lives both with and against his laws.

He walked home from synagogue, as he had done every Saturday, and I rode to the beach, as I do most Saturdays, he from the world of his fathers, I from the world of my father, and on a corner of Yehuda Halevi Street our paths crossed.

"Shabbas!" It seemed like a joke almost, so out of place in this modern, western world, but in this country of wonder and wondering, where on every corner the effect of the present lives with the cause of the past, anything seemed possible.

I am writing this letter for the thousands of motorists on Derech Patah Tikva, one of Tel Aviv's busiest streets, who at exactly 10 o'clock last Wednesday stopped their cars in the middle of the road, and, along with the rest of the country, stood for a moment of reverent silence in memory of those killed in the Holocaust.

At 9:59 that morning, the street had been filled with the cacophony of the traffic of everyday life — men rushing to work as they drove with one hand on the steering wheel and the other holding a car phone, taxis trying to weave through cars like slalom poles, the sound of angry car horns, buses full of students on their way to university and babushka-clad women on their way to the market, people yelling in Hebrew, Russian, Amharic, English.

One minute later all was blanketed, transcended by the sound of the memorial siren that, at least for a moment in time, fused all of these voices into one, the progeny of the past, the sons and daughters who do not forget. All stood frozen for a moment, in remembrance.

I am writing this letter for the Hebrew word "dafka," which has no English translation.

I am writing this letter for the pictures of the eight Jewish "martyrs," who died at the hands of the British, that hang at Acop prison. The pictures, which show the determined faces of men who believed in the fight for statehood so strongly they were willing to die for it, adorn the walls outside the prison gallows.

After the War of Independence, the prison was converted into a Zionist museum, and became at that time a symbol of victory over 'foreign,' British occupation. The eyes of the condemned men looked out over the place of their execution in triumph.

But today much of the prison walls are slowly crumbling, wild grass grows, covering the park that had been made out of the prison yard, and the eight 'freedom fighters' are now themselves symbols of the establishment, authoritatively looking out over a city where the next generation of Israeli soldiers nervously patrol the rooftops in this mixed city, hoping to calm any disturbances of the next generation of men calling themselves "freedom figters" and "martyrs."

But it is not merely a symbol of victim turned master. Recently, the Acco Choral Music Festival was held inside these same prison walls. At least for a few nights, the voices of modern Israel covered, comforted the pictures of the past. As a performance of Mozart's Choral Symphony performed by the Kibbutz Philharmonic Orchestra and the Kibbutz National Choir, was in progress, the voice of the muazzin from the mosque rang out, calling Muslims to prayer.

Not wanting a confrontation, the conductor of the orchestra signaled to the choral to stop in midnote, and told the approximately 300 members of the audience "we will wait" for 30 minutes, people sat patiently as the lone voice played loudly from the mosque speakers. When it finished, the audience ironically applauded this impromptu concert, the conductor took his place, and the performance resumed.

I am writing this letter because I feel this to be the kind of patience through which peace is formed.

I am writing this letter so that people may come here and find out about the Committee for Electoral Change, a Tel Aviv-based organization which last year collected 600,000 signatures of people pressing for governmental reform.

Or about Shalom Akhshav, which earlier this year formed an 18-kilometre long human chain, heading out of Jerusalem, joining Jewish and Arab hands in peaceful protest.

Or about Dina Shutrem, a Jewish social worker in Jaffa who organized a group of Jewish and Arab dentists to give free dental care to needy children.

I am writing this letter for a country where everybody knows everybody's business, where my cab driver found out I was from overseas and Jewish and invited me to his house for seder if I didn't have a place; where my basketball game started 20 minutes late because two Orthodox Jews who had come to shoot baskets wearing only black shoes, boxer shorts, yarmulkes, and tzit zit refused to get off the court; where an operator actually yelled at the parents of a friend of mine who were in America and wouldn't accept a collect call — "What's the matter with you — she's your daughter for God's sake!"

I am writing this letter for the people of my community back home who may be doubting their ties to their homeland, or even the concept of a homeland. Who may be planning to send their children to New York or Europe for the summer, instead of to Israel.

For the "distancing" taking place between Israeli and American Jews. Israel still speaks to you. The problems that have lead to this are profound and important. They are painful, real philosophical and moral questions that must be addressed and answered. But beneath these problems resonated a life that shows that the "dream" of Israel, the union of past and present that joins American and Israeli Jews, still exists.

It is seen in the energy of the open air markets on Friday afternoons, the Yom HaAtzmaut concerts in the Kikar Melechay Yisrael, the way people say "livriut" as a salutation. These things are tactile, palpable, and alive.

I am writing this letter for myself and for the experiences that have changed me after a year in Israel. I came here doubting very much that a country with which I had profound philosophical and moral questions had something to offer me on anything deeper than an academic level.

I came here having forgotten that there was life beyond the *CNN* and *Reuters* dispatches. I was wrong. I return home a better person. Better because I have, by seeing, living, and experimenting the things that troubled me about Israel, grown deeper understanding for their complexities.

And better because somewhere on the buses on the way to work, in every store and every taxi that I had to haggle for a cheaper price, in the way the people smile and laugh, fallen in love with a culture that I now feel very much a part of, and will have an extremely difficult time leaving.

There is a warmth and an energy here which is absolutely addictive, and it will forever be a part of who I am.

I am writing this letter because of that.

(Dr. Jonathan Metzl spent the past year as a Fulbright Fellow at Tel Aviv University before starting his residency in psychiatry at Stamford University in Palo Alto, Calif. in June.)

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Peace tightrope

By accepting the joint American-Soviet invitation to a Middle East peace conference in Madrid, Israel has stepped gingerly onto a tightrope. The approval for Israel's attendance that Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir received from an overwhelming majority of his cabinet will help him to keep his balance as his government is buffeted by competing pressures, both internal and external.

The pressure most to be feared is from extremists who may seek to disrupt the orderly process of the talks by terrorist actions. Any such attempts must be immediately denounced by all Arab parties. But more importantly, they must be prevented. Jordan and Syria must ensure that territory under their control — including Lebanon — is not used to launch attacks. And the Palestinian leadership, both those attending the talks and those in the wings, would be well advised to make certain that their people's actions match the peaceable words of their spokesmen.

The Shamir government must also be prepared to deal with attempts to unbalance their participation in the talks from within. The actions of Ariel Sharon in sponsoring the disruptive settlement activities in Silwan and in calling for Shamir's resignation are crude efforts to distract his leader — and perceived rival — from the task of presenting Israel's position fairly and forthrightly. Shamir's legendary stubborness has, at times, angered the Bush administration — but the Americans can be grateful for it now, as Shamir refuses to be swayed by the tactics of his rebellious minister and his unhappy right-wing coalition partners.

President George Bush is also a stubborn man, determined to use his position as head of the world's remaining superpower to achieve a Mideast peace settlement. Now that he and his secretary of state, James Baker, have managed the not inconsiderable feat of getting all parties to the table, they must take care that their tenacity does not lead to unacceptable pressure on America's most faithful Mideast ally, Israel. Bush's outrageous portrayal of himself as a lonely individual standing up to a powerful [Jewish] lobby produced a flood of anti-Semitic congratulations that reportedly shocked the White House. Let us hope that that reaction woke him up to the true nature of the opposition to Israel's legitimate humanitarian and security concerns.

Israel has long maintained that true peace can only be achieved through direct negotiations between the parties involved. That is what this conference and the subsequent one-on-one talks are directed towards. As the Israeli government embarks on the perilous path to peace with sworn enemies of the Jewish state, it must be freed from internal or external pressures that could push the entire region into the abyss of ongoing violence.

Epoch making statement

The recent speech by Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev (read by his emissary Aleksandr N. Yakovlev) at the commemorative ceremonies at Babi Yar was an epoch-making statement about the Soviet Union's pervasive anti-Semitism.

The candor of the Soviet president's remarks is evidence of a decency that could presage positive developments in his nation's struggle towards democratic pluralism.

Although anti-Semitism was officially outlawed by the Soviet Constitution of 1936, the actual condition of Jews and Judaism in the Soviet Union belied the rhetoric of the constitutional provisions. In fact, anti-Semitism has been rampant in the Soviet Union for decades.

With such attitudes towards Jews coming from the hierarchy of Soviet leaders, it is not surprising that populist anti-Semitism, deeply ingrained in modern Russian history, also retained its strong footings among the Russian people.

The Soviet Union, however, has consistently denied that its Jewish citizens have suffered any special persecution. This "official" line was parroted by the then-Soviet premier, Alexei Kosygin, during a visit to Canada in 1967.

It is for this reason that Gorbachev's admission about Soviet anti-Semitism is so important. It included an acknowledgement that hatred of Jews still exists in the nation's "everyday life" and contained an unprecedented (for a Soviet leader) allusion to the regret he feels at the massive Soviet-Jewish emigration.

Gorbachev also sought to draw a warning from the history of Jewish persecution and the outbreaks of nationalist violence now occurring in Europe.

Despite the honesty of Gorbachev's statement, it is unlikely to have any effect on the determination of vast numbers of Soviet Jews to leave the Soviet Union — because it has come much too late. Seven decades of Communist-inspired agitation against Jews cannot be erased by one speech, however eloquent and far-sighted.

Gorbachev's mea culpa towards Soviet Jews will have little effect on the continued exodus towards Israel, but it is nonetheless a welcome turning point in the struggle for justice and morality in a nation where those commodities have been rare.

TO THE EDITOR:

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QUESTIONS KAHN COLUMN

In a recent article in the CJN, Elaine Kahn indicates that women in a non-egalitarian synagogue service must "consider it dignified to be treated like ornaments in the sanctuary."

This most shocking display of intolerance of those who do not think exactly like her is even more surprising in light of the fact that Kahn began her article by lamenting the fact that Jews in the Toronto community seem to have a lot of trouble getting along.

Kahn should realize two things. Firstly, not all Jewish women define their Jewishness by their ability to wear a kippah and a tallit and to have an aliyah in the synagogue. And secondly, her own attitudes as expressed in her article are doing a great deal to foment the very disunity which she decries in her article.

Ms. Kahn, if it was really so uncomfortable for you to sit through the non-egalitarian service, perhaps you should have just stayed home that day.

Jerrold Landau
Toronto

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GERMANY'S GUILT

I read with interest the letter of Dr. Henning L. von Hassell. German Consul-General in Toronto in the CJN Sept. 26.

To say that there is "no visible and convincing connection" between 19th century Germany and the Holocaust is simply to ignore the facts of history. I would suggest that Dr. von Hassell read Toward the Final Solution by George L. Mosse and From Prejudice to Destruction by Jacob Katz if he feels there is some doubt about such a connection.

While both authors deal with a somewhat broader picture in Europe than just Germany, the significance of German involvement in the rise of modern anti-Semitism is beyond question and of major significance.

To mention only two of the major figures, there was first Wilhelm Marr, and second Houston Stuart Chamberlain. The former was the author of the scurrilous pamphlet The Victory of Judaism over Germanism (Der Sieg des Judenthums uber das Germanenthum), in which he coined the term "anti-Semitism." Chamberlain wrote The Foundations of the Nineteenth Century (Die Grundlagen des neunzehnten Jahrhunderts), probably the most notorious work on racial anti-Semitism.

While Chamberlain was English by origin, he was greatly attracted by Richard Wagner's romanticizing of the Aryan race, and moved to Germany where he married Wagner's daughter. As an admirer of Hitler in his later days, he lived to meet him in 1923 before he died. When Chamberlain died in 1927 a long Nazi obituary for him was printed in a German newspaper.

While the direct connection between Hitler's anti-Semitism and 19th century Germany may not be a simple straight line, that 19th century Germany laid much of the foundation for Hitler's views and policies is unequivocal. The tragedy of European Jewry in the Holocaust owes much to attitudes which came out of the ambiguities and animosities of Jewish life in the Germany of the previous century.

Rev. Peter Gilbert
Toronto

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Josef Schwammberger then (top) and now.

WITNESSES NEEDED

Joseph Schwammberger is presently on trial in Stuttgart, Germany, for the murder of Jewish slave laborers in concentration camps in Poland.

We are anxious to trace witnesses who may have worked at the slave labor camps of Przemysl and Mielec in Poland.

I would be grateful to witnesses who served in these camps, or knew of Schwammberger's alleged crimes if they would be in touch with me at Canadian Jewish Congress, 1590 Avenue Docteur Penfield Montreal, H3G 1C5.

Alan Rose
Montreal

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LEVEL PLAYING FIELD

Those of us who have stood steadfast with the State of Israel since its creation and have agonized over the wars directed by its Arab neighbors to destroy her are reservedly optimistic about the forthcoming peace talks.

The reservation is due to the fact that while Israel under the most difficult circumstances has from its inception been a functioning democracy while the Arab states with which it has to negotiate are still repressive dictatorships that not only reject all basic democratic institutions but continue to perpetuate racism and religious intolerance.

A few examples should suffice. Notwithstanding the commitment of hundreds of thousands of American troops, primarily Christians and some Jews, Saudi Arabia would not afford them the privilege of either wearing crosses or Stars of David or even praying.

Kuwait in need of massive reconstruction still maintains its anti-Jewish boycott and will not permit any companies to come to its assistance that have any Jewish connections or do business with the State of Israel.

When Israel deports a handful of Arab terrorists there is an immediate resolution by the Security Council of the United Nations condemning her. Daily one reads in the papers of the forced deportation from Kuwait of hundreds of thousands of Palestinians. Not only is there not a resolution but no one moves to bring the matter on the agenda.

Jordan, which supported Saddam Hussein who called for the destruction of Israel, will come to the peace talks and ask for concessions from Israel. Syria which still harbors a variety of terrorist organizations dedicated to driving every Israeli into the sea will come and seek territorial concessions.

This is supposedly the level playing field upon which peace will be negotiated in the Middle East. It is incumbent upon the western democracies and the Soviet Union to ensure that there is a fair and impartial evaluation of the disputes and concerns based on legitimate concerns for security, adherence to democratic principles and a simple understanding of who is right and who is wrong.

The players in the process have long been identified but what is important is what rules will apply and the honest impartiality of the referees.

Bert Raphael
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ANOTHER SHAKESPEARE GEM

Please add this little gem to Allan Gould's June 27 column on Shakespeare, Jews and Humor.

Jewish Dieters' club.

More than a little is by much too much. (King Henry IV, Part I, Act III, Sc. 2.)

Vera N. Held
Toronto

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Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

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KALLES — GRANOVSKY

More familiar names from Polish towns and villages:

Kalisz — Kalles; Kielce — Keltz; Kutno — Kutner; Szubin — Shubin; Glusko — Gluskin; Kamien — Kamin; Nisko — Nisker; Narol — Narol; Baszyn — Bassin; Bocheniec — Bochneck; Brodzki — Brodsky; Dolgie — Dolgy; Drewniki — Drevnig; Granowa — Granovsky.

Opinion

Gorbachev condemns evil

Anti-Semitism still thriving in Eastern Europe

By
J. B. SALSBERG

As all readers of this column know, I'm not one who looks for anti-Semites in every conceivable corner. But I am forced to acknowledge that in Eastern Europe we are now witnessing the rise of the ugliest forms of anti-Semitism, even in countries where there are only a handful of Jews left.

The situation has become so serious that Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, found it necessary to come out with a public condemnation of anti-Semitism that he said, causes some of the best brains in Soviet society to leave the country.

But the *Toronto Star* of Sept. 26, carried an *Associated Press* dispatch from Moscow under the caption "Most Soviets want Jews out, poll saus" and the report adds, "More than half of 4,200 Soviets polled wanted all Jews to leave the country." The news report adds: "More than 10 percent said Soviet Jews should be moved to the Far East and more than half believe the fight against Zionism should be strengthened."

In view of the above it is no surprise to learn from the same report that "Thirty-one percent of Moscow Jews polled in June and July forsaw the possibility of a pogrom by year's end."

J.B. Salsberg

So much for the reborn and thriving poisonous virus of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, despite Gorbachev's public condemnation of the disease. . . .

Now for a short stop-over in Poland on our way back home.

Jews lived, worked and made major contributions to Polish economic and cultural life for a thousand years. Before World War II Polish Jewry was estimated to be of more than four million souls.

Hitler decimated almost all of them. Most of the Jewish survivors left what they looked-upon as the graveyard of their people. Now it is estimated that there are ". . . less than 10,000 Jews left in Poland, many of them elderly, out of a total Polish population of 38,300,000," according to Timothy Appleby, of the *Toronto Globe and Mail*, in its Oct. 11/91.

But to Polish-Canadian "millionaire businessman," Stanislaw Tyminsky, who aimed at the Polish presidency, but who "abandoned" his Polish parliamentary campaign midway, he did so because "his efforts to field candidates in the national elections had been thwarted by a Jewish conspiracy financed from abroad." (*Globe and Mail*, Oct. 11/91)

That, however, is not all in this sordid affair.

Polish-Canadian "millionaire," Mr. Stanislaw Tyminsky, hastened to tell the *Globe and Mail's* Mr. Timothy Appleby, "I'm not saying it's all Jews who are rigging the election, because it's a paticular group centred around (former prime minister Tadeusz) Mazowiecki," said the Toronto millionaire businessman, who finished second to former Solidarity leader Lech Walesa in last December's Polish presidential elections.

Now comes the real poisonous ingredient in Mr. Tyminski's interview with the *Globe and Mail*.

Said Mr. Tyminski "But also you know they (meaning Jews) have wide connections in the justice system, the legal system, the mass media and so on...They are getting alot of funding from abroad, from the United States — money, breaking the law and so on."

The Globe and Mail's Mr. Timothy Appleby mercifully followed the above diatribe with a brief paragraph saying: "There are less than 10,000 Jews left in Poland, many of them elderly, out of a total Polish population of 38,300,000."

But as a notorious Canadian anti-Semite is quoted as once having said when blocking Jewish immigrants to Canada: "One is too many."

The Polish-Canadian "millionaire businessman," Stanislaw Tyminski seems to have a long way to go to reach the level of objectivity and historic facts when dealing with Jewish issues, whether they be Polish or Canadian.

Only about 20 percent have been published

Dead Sea Scrolls are taking too long to decifer

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

For most people the famous Dead Sea Scrolls are at best something to look at in the Shrine of the Book in Jerusalem, and at worst a dead issue — of no interest at all.

That's unfortunate, because what they have to tell us illuminates a dark period of both Jewish and Christian history. And now there's a big flap over them in the scholarly world, a flap that reveals something not only about the scrolls but also about the scholars who deal with them. And the story is not pleasant at all.

It all goes back to 1947, when some Arabs discovered a batch of jars in four caves at Qumran, near the Dead Sea. When the jars were opened and given a first examination it became clear that the manuscripts they contained were 2,000 years old and could tell us something of an age about which we had few other reliable data.

Furthermore, since the manuscripts also contained copies of several biblical books, they would help us to test the accuracy of the texts we have commonly used. Christians were interested because the sectarians who had produced these items were possbily the Essenes who are often thought to have provided the environment from which early Christianity sprang.

The trouble was that while many of the manuscripts were in good shape, others, — especially those from Cave 4 — had badly disintegrated and could not be read without careful reassembling and informed speculation. Understandably, there was a scramble by scholars to get a chance to examine the scrolls and, if possible, publish and interpret their contents. Israeli and Jordanian authorities set up teams and assigned some 500 texts of scholars in various countries.

Rabbi Plaut

But in the over 40 years since their discovery only about 20 percent of the texts have been published. The bulk is in the hands of scholars who have produced little except to assure the public that they were still studying their treasures. And the public — historians, theologians, archeologists and a lot of just plain, interested people — have become restive. They have denounced the secrecy of those holding on to precious materials.

The campaign to pry these secrets loose has been led by Hershel Shanks, editor of the *Biblical Archeology Review* and of *Moment* magazine. One Harvard professor was even accused of anti-Semitism and was discharged from his responsiblities, and there were other unhappy incidents. Meanwhile, the thousands of fragments were lying around waiting to be revealed to the world.

Unfortunately, the scholars were never given a deadline. They could have been told: If you can't come up with something in a certain number of years, let others have a try. These manuscripts belong not to you, they belong to the public. But no such procedure was followed, and the delay became a scandal.

However, two Cincinnatians — one of them Prof. Ben-Zion Wacholder of Hebrew Union College — did get a hold of some material and proceeded to publish it in what they called *A Preliminary Edition of the Unpublished Dead Sea Scrolls*.

The reaction of the officials was predictable. "Scholarly thievery!" one thundered, and another (who did not want his name used) called the publication a "sleazy, blatant violation of an ethical rule that has never been broken before. If a text is assigned to a scholar no one else dares to publish a pirated version."

Maybe under ordinary circumstances that is a rule worth observing. But 44 years are a mite too long to hide behind the worthy custom. "Pirated version" implies that the scrolls belong to someone who has violated a copyright. No such thing; they belong to the world and it's time that the veil of secrecy is torn away so that a lot of scholars may have a go at deciphering the material.

I have no idea whether Prof. Wacholder and Company have done a good job, but they have succeeded in breaking a scholarly strangle hold. The fragments should long ago have been photographed and surrendered to anyone who wanted to study them. Too much hangs on their understanding to continue scholarly hide-and-seek games.

Writers' opinions are exactly that ... *their* opinions

By
ELAINE KAHN

We subscribe to the *New Yorker* for the cartoons. Eventually we get to the articles — I'm about three months behind and haven't read the infamous Mordecai Richler pieces. But what I have already found both funny and disturbing is the assumption, made by some people, that Richler in any way represents the Jewish community's views on Quebec.

It's hilarious, really, because Richler has so obviously, in all of his writing and his life, been so very unaffiliated with the Jewish community — its gadfly, not its voice. And it's disturbing because of what it says about how we view writers.

Although we do know that they speak only for themselves, unless they're writing some form of publicity, we sometimes forget to make that distinction. Writers writing fiction are writing about things formed in their own imaginations — writers writing opinion pieces are expressing their own opinions. It's really a pretty easy concept, once you get the hang of it.

It's kind of nice, though, to know I have something in common with one of my favorite authors, aside from roots on St. Urbain Street and scotch as our preferred alcoholic beverage. You see, despite regular honest disclaimers in print and in person over the years, there are still a few people in Canada who think I too represent more than just me when I open my mouth or peck at my terminal. They think I represent my husband.

Forget it. If he wants to make his opinions known, there's space regularly available to rabbis in this paper. No way I'm going to let him horn in on my turf.

Maybe it's my fault people make this mistake — after all, I write so often about "the twins." Let me set the record straight: "twins" refers to our daughters, not to us.

Maybe it's my fault because I always make it sound like my husband and I get along so well, so people assume we never disagree. Of course we disagree — I guess the fun for readers so inclined is to guess when. It doesn't make my opinions any less solely mine.

Elaine Kahn

I remember a conversation 14 years ago in Israel with a woman who, like myself, was married to a rabbinical student. She was a Hebrew school teacher — I was, well, a writer.

This seemed hard for her to grasp and she asked me whether, if I wrote fiction, I might use profanity in it or have sexual scenes. I said "yes," of course, though in fact I couldn't write a sexual scene to save my life.

She then said, referring to our husbands' careers, "Well then, of course you'll use a pseudonym."

I said "no." Though I don't use my husband's name either. This was a decision I made about myself long before we even met, so it was never meant to protect him, but I think it does, occasionally. I suppose I should be grateful. . . .

I've been thinking lately about how rabbis are hired — it's the season of the year when rabbis nearing the end of contracts start thinking about the next one and several of our friends are shopping around for new pulpits.

OK, everyone who took offence to "shopping around" hold up our hands. My apologies. But it is the term both sides use and I don't think, except among the most cynical, it indicates either views the other as a commodity — certainly they shouldn't.

But I do find people forget that, not only does your shul probably have a wide array of candidates to choose from, but the rabbis have a large selection of shuls. They check your references as diligently as you check theirs.

"Making a shidduch" is a far more appropriate metaphor than the shopping one. And, although we are advised in *Guys and Dolls* that "you mustn't squeeze the melon til you get the melon home," I prefer the Ann Landers school, which says you don't go into a marriage with a list of major changes you already know you want to make. Getting to know each other well before signing the ketubah is crucial.

No marriage and no rabbi-congregation relationship will remain viable without adaptation on both parts, but both rabbi and congregation come to the original negotiating table with a history, a personality, a way of doing things and a set of values. And no one wants major surprises when the veil comes up.

And, as when envisioning a life partner, you have to know your own priorities — the talk about dowry can wait till the end. A priority list is necessary because you're unlikely to find one person who is the combination of Rashi, Koussevitsky, Machiavelli, Socrates, Florence Nightingale and Lee Iacocca that every shul needs.

Front and centre, you must find out what the rabbi believes. By asking outright, not by making assumptions — rabbis, like you, are complicated. And because a rabbi, like any religious Jew, lives what he or she believes, and because Judaism takes in everything, you'll have to get up the courage to ask about the rabbi's personal life, if knowing the answers is important to you.

Although it's no longer common, and in some jurisdictions illegal, to ask for any personal information when hiring, I've come to believe an exception can be made with rabbis.

I know of a rabbi who was told straight out he was not getting the job he wanted because he was not, at that time, married. I heard of another who didn't get a particular job because his wife worked on Shabbat.

I don't like the fact these congregations acted as they did, but, because these issues were important to them, they had the right to ask and decide whatever they wanted (it also helped the rabbis learn the congregations' priorities).

What would have been unfair would have been to make the first rabbi's marital status, or the other rabbi's wife's working hours, an issue after the ink dried.

But that's just my opinion.

Features

Finland and the Holocaust

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

In Holocaust historiography, Finland — a co-belligerent of Nazi Germany and home to a minuscule Jewish community — is rarely or barely mentioned. Since little of major consequence occurred in Finland, either in the Second World War or to the Jewish population, historians tend to give Finland short shrift.

Yet Finland, as Hannu Rautkallio suggests in *Finland and the Holocaust* (Holocaust Publications, $13.95 U.S.), deserves better. Finland, you see, was the only country fighting alongside Germany that successfully resisted pressure to deport its Jewish citizens. What is more, Finland was one of the very few European countries during the pre-war period where Jewish refugees could find a sanctuary.

For these reasons alone, *Finland and the Holocaust* is well worth reading. A cautionary note, however, is in order. Rautkallio, a historian with a PhD from the University of Helsinki, may be a fine researcher, but he is no stylist. His book is turgid, and only a dedicated reader will have the patience to plow through it. Moreover, it has no index. Be that as it may, *Finland and the Holocaust* is still the best there is on the topic.

Rautkallio starts by sketching in a few details about Finnish Jewry. The first Jews to settle in Finland — part of Sweden until 1809 and a grand duchy of the Russian empire until 1917 — were Cantonists (who had been forcibly conscripted into the Russian army and been permitted to live in Finland upon their discharge.) On the eve of the Second World War, about 2,000 Jews, including several hundred Jewish refugees, lived in Finland.

Largely from Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia, the refugees began arriving in Finland in the spring of 1938. Finland, as Rautkallio writes, was one of the few countries in Europe where a Jewish refugee could find safety. For some, Finland was a transit point, a stopover on a westward journey to Sweden and elsewhere.

In general, the refugees travelled to Finland on regularly scheduled ships from Stettin to Helsinki. In other instances, they stole into Finland via Soviet territory.

Although the Finnish government was sympathetic to their plight, there was a national consensus that Finland's absorptive capacity was limited.

While most Finns had no taste for Hitler's abhorrent racial policies, they respected Germany's political, economic and military power, as well as its cultural achievements. In short, they desired good relations with Germany.

Finns considered Germany a bulwark against their eastern neighbor, the Soviet Union, and, furthermore, were grateful for the role Germany had played in driving out Soviet troops from Helsinki in 1918.

For all of Finland's goodwill toward Germany, Finns were puzzled and disconcerted by Germany's anti-Jewish obsession, and shocked by Kristallnacht. In its aftermath, the Finnish press blasted Germany. In a cable to Berlin, the German Embassy in Helsinki reported that "no sympathy whatsoever can be found (in Finland) for the German actions."

Shortly after the outbreak of the Second World War, the Soviet Union attacked Finland, making a sham of their 1932 non-aggression agreement. The Finns beat back the assault, but eventually the Soviets prevailed and occupied Finnish territory. In 1941, the vengeful Finns entered into an alliance with Germany, joining the Germans in attacking the Soviet Union and thereby winning back what had been taken from them two years earlier. The Finnish-German axis collapsed in 1944, when the Soviet Union, having regrouped, thrust into Finland once again, and imposed an armistice.

The Jews of Finland served their country. Three hundred Jewish soldiers fought in the Finnish army, of whom 20 were killed or reported missing. One of Finland's leading figures, Marshal Carl Gustaf Mannerheim, would extol the Jewish contribution to the national defence.

Despite German pressure, not a single Finnish Jewish civilian met his or her death at the hands of the Nazis. At the 1942 Wannsee Conference in Berlin, the Nazis had included Finnish Jews in their systematic scheme to exterminate European Jewry. But the Germans, desiring cordial ties with the Finns, did not press the matter strongly.

In 1942, when SS chieftain Heinrich Himmler visited Finland, he raised the status of Finnish Jews with Prime Minister Johann Rangell. Rangell replied: "We have no Jewish question... the discussion of the matter ended then and there."

Not wanting to inflame relations with Finland, Germany dropped the matter. Rautkallio adds: "The official stand of the Finnish government was unambiguous, to be sure, but in the unofficial or private sphere Finland was not without its share of anti-Semitism."

In this connection, the case of Arno Anthoni, the chief of the Finnish State Police (Valpo), is instructive.

In the autumn of 1941, Anthoni signed an agreement with the Gestapo on exchanging information about political prisoners and refugees. The following year, Valpo agreed to notify the Gestapo about fugitives arriving in Finland from Nazi-occupied Estonia.

Rautkallio claims that Valpo-Gestapo contacts in 1941 did not indicate Finnish police foreknowledge "of the facts concerning the annihilation of Jews — or even of any such plans."

But in 1942, Anthoni did hand over eight Jewish refugees to the Germans. It is difficult to believe that he was ignorant of the fate that awaited them.

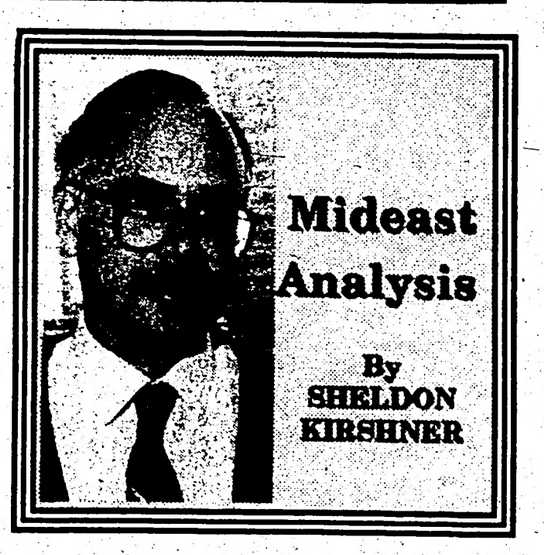
Apart from that unsavory incident, Finland compiled an honorable record during the war. Indeed, Finnish Jews (not to mention Spanish, Portuguese and Swedish Jews) who resided in Germany or in German-occupied territories enjoyed a special status.

There were not many Finnish Jews residing in areas under the jurisdiction of the Third Reich, but their repatriation was arranged without delay.

So the Jews of Finland survived the war intact. As historian Raul Hilberg has affirmed, the destruction of European Jewry did not extend as far as Finland.

Finland, Rautkallio concludes, remained outside "the sphere of Nazi racial virulence."

Jewish refugees from Austria arrive in Helsinki.



Mideast Analysis

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Oil, as we have learned repeatedly, is a blessing and a curse. Our industrial society would be hard-pressed to function smoothly without it. By the same token, the quest for petroleum has sparked wars and triggered political strife. Iraq's ill-fated invasion and annexation of Kuwait, which sits on a pool of "black gold," is the latest example of how oil can influence geo-politics.

Daniel Yergin, an authority on the oil business, believes that oil has become central to our security, prosperity and civilization. In his massive, brilliantly-researched book, *The Prize* (General, $37.95), Yergin argues persuasively that oil as a commodity is inextricably intertwined with national strategies and global politics and power.

Oil, he writes, was vastly influential in the course and outcome of both World War I and World War II. Oil, too remains a significant factor in the politics of the Middle East. Ask yourself whether U.S. President George Bush would have gone to war over Kuwait and Saudi Arabia had they been bereft of oil. The answer is obvious.

In his thoroughly fascinating volume, Yergin traces man's consciousness of oil far back into antiquity. In various parts of the Middle East, notably Mesopotamia (modern Iraq), a semi-solid oozy substance known as bitumen, which seeped to the surface through cracks and fissures, was tapped as early as 3000 BCE. Bitumen was used in construction, road making, lighting and even medicine. Pliny, the Roman naturalist, claimed that it healed wounds, cured toothaches, checked bleeding, stopped diarrhea and relieved rheumatism and shortness of breath.

The politics of oil

Oil, as we know it today, was originally referred to as "rock oil." Initially used for medicinal purposes, this sticky substance was later processed into an illuminant in lamps and then as a lubricant for machines. By the 20th century, oil, supplemented by natural gas, had supplanted coal as the power source of contemporary society.

Yergin devotes considerable space to the role of oil in modern warfare. Oil and the internal combustion engine affected the very dimensions of World War I, with air power and armored thrusts changing the meaning of mobility.

During World War II, fuel shortages crippled the Wehrmacht in the Soviet Union, North Africa and at the momentous Battle of the Bulge. At his interrogation in May 1945, Albert Speer, the German minister for armaments and war production, confessed that "the need for oil certainly was a prime motive" in Hitler's decision to invade Russia.

In the postwar period, the view of the U.S. State Department was that Middle East oil was essential to the success of the Marshall Plan in war-devastated Europe. Although President Harry Truman personally sympathized with the Zionist movement, some of his most prominent cabinet ministers felt that a Jewish state in Palestine would undermine the Marshall Plan and also harm relations with the Arab world.

Ib Saud, the Saudi ruler, warned Truman that U.S. support for Jewish sovereignty would be a death blow to American interests in the region. But this was a hollow threat, since Arab wells provided only 6 percent of the West's oil supplies.

Yergin's chapters on oil as a weapon in the Arab arsenal are instructive. An Arab oil embargo in the aftermath of the Six Day War failed miserably because most Arab states simply could not afford it. The 1973 embargo, which followed the Yom Kippur War, was far more successful because it was deemed to be in the Arab interest. Two devaluations of the American dollar had sharply cut the worth of the financial holdings of Arab countries with large dollar reserves in the United States. "What is the point of producing more oil and selling it for an unguaranteed paper currency?" the Kuwaiti oil minister wondered. What is more, Saudi Arabia, the embargo leader, could not afford to be seen as anything but fully supportive of Arab frontline states. And so the embargo proceeded, with all its world-wide repercussions.

Missionaries target Soviet Jews

By
ALIZA MARCUS

In a rented school auditorium in Brooklyn's Brighton Beach neighborhood, known as Little Odessa because of the large numbers of Soviet immigrants who have settled there, Sid Roth is preparing to lead 50 or so people in Sabbath morning services.

Standing in front of an Israeli flag temporarily gracing the wall, Roth, the congregation's leader, starts off by reciting the Shema, the key Jewish prayer declaring belief in one God.

Then, with a Bible in his hand and a yarmulka on his head, Roth launches into a two-hour sermon about the Jews, the Bible, the rabbis of old — and why Jews should believe that Jesus was the Messiah.

"The day will come very soon when many Russians in Brooklyn will have the spiritual scales come off their eyes and will know the truth," he booms, pacing up and down exuberantly. His words, carefully spaced, are translated into Russian by a young woman wearing a Star of David necklace.

"Our job is in living to present the truth," he says. "Their job is to open their hearts to the truth and the spirit of God will make it true."

And open their hearts they have. Under Roth's "messianic" guidance, dozens of Soviet Jews have discovered Jesus, while other "messianic Jewish" and evangelical Christian groups are successfully targeting Soviet Jews in the United States and elsewhere.

The influx of Soviet Jews into the United States — this year up to 40,000 are being allowed to immigrate — is being warmly welcomed by messianic Jewish groups, who claim one can both be Jewish and believe that Jesus was the Messiah.

"Messianic Jews are very excited about the Russian Jews. They feel it's important to convert them, because here's a big segment of the Jewish population that until recently they couldn't get a hold of," says Rabbi Michael Skobac, New York director of Jews for Judaism, a monitoring and counter-missionary organization with seven branches across the country.

The number of "messianic Jews," or Hebrew Christians, in North America is estimated to be between 80,000 and 100,000, less than two per cent of the approximately six million Jews in North America.

But the number is deceptively small in relation to the influence of their ideology, Rabbi Skobac and others say.

Some evangelical Christian groups, such as the Assemblies of God, with 2.1 million members in the United States and 23 million worldwide, also support this particular approach to missionary work among Jews.

"The view of Judaism is that you can't be both Jewish and Christian," admits David Lewis, a clergyman with the Assemblies of God. "But the point of view of our missionaries is that you can indeed be Jewish and Christian."

Evangelical Christians, along with messianic Jews, are also believed to be behind much of the funding for the 140 messianic Jewish congregations in North America and the dozens of groups that have sprung up to promote Jewish believers in Jesus.

Mainstream Christians, such as Catholics and liberal Protestant groups, are not involved, say those who monitor this activity.

Evangelical Christians "are promoting this because they understand that the alternative approach — Jewish people being offered conversion out of Judaism — is not an appealing alternative to Jews," says Rabbi Skobac, who puts the total annual budget of messianic groups at $100 million (U.S.).

"Instead, they say that by accepting Christianity, you don't leave Judaism but become a better Jew," he says.

Jewish "believers," as they call themselves, often reflect this duality in their tendency to retain the trappings of Judaism in their lives.

They will have their sons circumcised, keep kosher and celebrate the major Jewish holidays, but they reinterpret the prayers and customs in line with their belief that Jesus was the Messiah.

Congregational meetings are often held on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings, and whenever possible, Hebrew words — such as Yeshua for Jesus and mikvah for baptism — are preferred over English ones.

Although no exact estimate of the number of Soviet Jews in the United States who believe in Jesus is available, literature obtained from messianic Jewish and evangelical Christian groups shows that a great effort is under way to missionize among Soviet Jews.

(JTA)

CJC, BB welcome Soviet move

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he termed the Soviet Union's "historic mistake" in breaking off relations.

"Clearly this brings us to a more open dialogue, so that they hear Israeli positions directly, face to face," he said.

A joint statement issued by Pankin and Levy after the ceremony said that the Soviet Union and Israel "firmly believe" that the re-establishment of full diplomatic relations "fully serves the interests of a comprehensive settlement in the Middle East, the establishment of a lasting peace and stability in this region and a further development of international cooperation."

Israel's current consul general in Moscow, Arye Levin, who attended the signature ceremony, will be named Israel's new ambassador to the Soviet Union.

Levin said the two countries had already established a joint committee on economic co-operation that would soon begin meeting alternately in Moscow and in Jerusalem.

Former Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had indicated his readiness to re-establish full ties with Israel. But his resignation in December 1990 cast the timing of such a move in doubt.

When his successor, Alexander Bessmertnykh, in May became the first Soviet foreign minister ever to visit Israel, many here expected he would announce the resumption of

Yuval Ne'eman

full relations. They were disappointed.

Even after Pankin arrived here last Thursday, there was doubt as to whether the restoration of ties would be finalized during his visit. When he and Levy finally announced the move on Friday, it was almost anti-climactic.

"We have been waiting a long time for this day to arrive," stated CJC national executive committee chairman Moshe Ronen. "Since the emergence of perestroika and glasnost life began to improve immeasurably for Jews in the Soviet Union. Emigration to Israel increased to a high level and direct flights have finally begun. The restoration of diplomatic relations almost completes the process.

"Israel is presently experiencing a modern miracle as thousands of Jews arrive each month from the Soviet Union. The resumption of diplomatic ties bodes well for the continuation of this process and full normalization of relations."

Marilyn Wainberg, B'nai Brith Canada president and Frank Dimant, executive vice president, issued the following statement in response to the restoration of full diplomatic relations between Israel and the Soviet Union:

"The restoration of diplomatic relations between the Soviet Union and Israel does more than right an old wrong. It sends a clear signal that the Soviet Union has recognized Middle East realities and has moved away from an isolationist position which could only exclude itself from peace initiatives in the region.

"We hope that the new diplomatic relations between Israel and Soviet Union will lead to co-operative efforts to combat anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union."

In New York, the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations hailed the move as "a major milestone in a series of historic changes that have taken place within the Soviet Union in recent months."

China rejects UN resolution

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improving rapidly and pointed out that he had met three Israeli foreign ministers in recent years — Shimon Peres, Moshe Arens and incumbent David Levy as recently as last month.

Qian indicated further that China would welcome a role in resolving the political impasse in the Middle East, Leibler said.

The last remaining obstacle to wide-ranging Israeli-Chinese rapprochement would be removed once the core Palestinian issue has been resolved.

Qian gave the impression that Israel is held in high regard in Beijing, pointing to the fact that Israel was one of the first countries to recognize the Peoples Republic of China in 1948 and has consistently refused to recognize Taiwan.

During the visit, the WJC delegation concluded an unprecedented agreement with the Chinese International Culture Exchange Centre to hold a major international gathering of Jewish and Chinese academics in Beijing on April 6-8 next year.

The colloquium, to be titled Cultures Old and New — A Chinese-Jewish dialogue, will be sponsored by the WJC and will bring leading Jewish academics to China from around the world, including former Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban.

"The agreement on the colloquium marks the realization of a cherished dream and the culmination of almost 10 years of persistent effort on our part," Liebler added.

Spain's PM plans visit

BONN (JTA) —

Spanish Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez Marquez is planning to visit Israel after all, despite media reports last week to the contrary.

Sources in Madrid said Gonzalez was irritated by media reports that he was postponing a visit to Israel that he had planned for this fall and has now decided to make the trip as soon as it can be arranged.

Spanish and Israeli officials have met in recent days to discuss the logistics of the visit, which is now expected to take place at the end of November.

Plans to postpone the trip, leaked by diplomatic sources in Madrid, had been seen in Israel as the first serious break in the smooth pace at which Spanish relations with Israel have progressed since they were established in 1986.

A possible side effect of a visit to Israel by the Spanish premier would be the extension of Israeli Ambassador Shlomo Ben-Ami's posting to Madrid. The envoy had intended to resign at the end of this month in order to take up an academic research position in Washington.

Madrid is also the site of the Middle East peace conference that the United States and Soviet Union will host, beginning Oct. 30.

Cantors to hold convention

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Over 100 "traditional conservative" cantors are expected to descend on Toronto beginning this Sunday for a three-day convention that owes its origin to the controversy over women cantors.

Chazzanim from Canada, the United States, Britain and Israel will inaugurate the new International Conference of Traditional Cantors, formed by Conservative cantors disenchanted with their movement's admission of qualified women.

The convention's co-host, Cantor Eliezer Kirshblum of Toronto's Adath Israel Congregation, says the event's purpose is to bring together cantors in the traditional Conservative and Orthodox camps who are "committed to a cantorate based on Halacha."

Dr. Arnold Noyek, an expert on the human voice, will give a talk on A Medical Analysis of the Voice.

Renowned Jewish composer and musicologist Dr. Shalom Kalib of Flint, Mich., will speak on the Traditional Cantorate at the Twilight of the 21st Century.

The convention's crowning event, Cantor Kirshblum promises, will be a cantorial concert open to the public on Tuesday, Oct. 29, 8.30 p.m. at Adath Israel Congregation.

The concert will feature world-class cantors Ben Zion Miller of New York City, Moshe Stern from Israel, Pinchas Rabinowicz from Los Angeles and David Bagley and Yaacov Motzen, both from Montreal.

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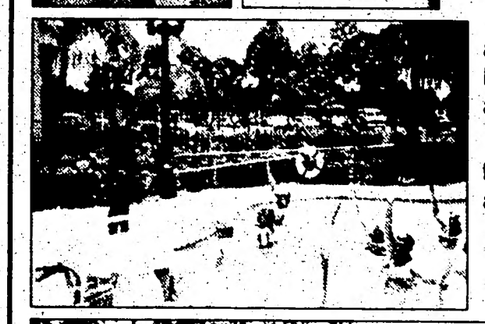

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Duke edges out governor

NEW YORK (JTA) —

David Duke, a former neo-Nazi and grand wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, has emerged as one of the two remaining contenders for Louisiana's governorship, after edging Gov. Buddy Roemer out of a tight, three-way race.

Duke, a Republican state legislator shunned by the White House and the national GOP, will square off against former Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards, a Democrat, in a runoff election Nov. 16.

Edwards, who had anticipated that Duke, rather than Roemer, would be defeated, had expressed doubts along the campaign trail that voters would take seriously "a grown man who ran around for years in a sheet."

Edwards emerged the front-runner in Saturday's primary election with 34 percent of the vote. Duke garnered 32 percent, and Roemer trailed with 27 percent.

Duke's rhetoric during the campaign has not been of the racist nature associated with the Klan. Rather than making overt references to race or religion, Duke spoke in more subtle terms about the "New York influence" and its control over the media, and about the "rising welfare underclass."

The candidate spoke in more concrete terms five years ago when, during a taped interview with a doctoral student researching the Klan, he said Jews belong in the "ash bin of history" and that they should be resettled outside the United States.

While the former Klansman attributes his past activities to his youth, there is "no indication that he has changed his beliefs," according to Ted Flaum, director of the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans.

Flaum said Duke's victory indicates that voters "are looking for scapegoats and easy solutions to serious problems."

Lance Hill, executive director of the Louisiana Coalition Against Racism and Nazism, said Duke's appeal is "very simple: He offers an authoritarian racist solution to crime and economic deterioration."

Duke garners support among whites by saying he will implement repressive measures in the black community, Hill said.

In fact, a recent poll in New Orleans detected a so-called hidden vote among well-educated whites who support Duke but decline to acknowledge their support.

Abraham Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League, expressed disappointment that the "electorate was willing to either blink their eyes to this man's racism and anti-Semitism or to be supportive of it."

Jerome Chanes, co-director for domestic concerns at the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, said the issue of Duke's candidacy goes far beyond the candidate and the state of Louisiana.

Chanes said Duke's candidacy raises two questions: what Duke's success in Louisiana means in terms of the resurgence of extremist groups in American society and what it means in terms of the re-emergence of anti-Semitism in the political process.

Chanes said he believes Duke's victory is not reflective of society at large.

"The experience over many decades has been that, generally speaking, Americans tend to repudiate, to reject out of hand, extremist, racist and anti-Semitic rhetoric," he said.

But Hill said polls indicate that Duke stands a good chance of capturing Louisiana's governorship.

And many of the Jewish groups, which cannot engage in partisan activities without losing their tax-exempt status, are working instead to educate the public about Duke's background and agenda and to get out the vote.

AMBASSADOR CLEANS UP

U.S. ambassador to Israel, William Brown, collects litter on the Herzliya Beach near his home just north of Tel Aviv. Brown took part in the International Clean-Up Day, a day designated throughout the world last month to make people aware of the environment problem. Litter, sewage and oil are the main problems that affect the world's beaches. [IPPA photo]

Bush described as threat to Jews

By
RANDI DRUZIN

TORONTO —

U.S. President George Bush's world view is a greater threat to Jews than the recent resurgence of nationalism in Europe, says historian Morton Manilla.

In a lecture at Beth Emeth Synagogue, Manilla said Jews have cause to be alarmed by the recent electoral success of a neo-Nazi party in Bremen, Germany and by the accelerated activity of (anti-Semitic) nationalist movements in Eastern Europe.

However, he added that they have greater cause to be alarmed by the growing popularity of a new supra-nationalist ideology embraced by the Bush administration.

Manilla said Bush and his supporters approach the world as a system of states that share one view. He cited, as an example, Bush's insistence that the military effort against Iraq involve many nations, not just the United States. "President Reagan thought like a president of the United States," said Manilla. "But Bush thinks like the president of a council of nations."

Manilla said Bush's universalist ideology is a "great danger" to Jews because its advocates degrade all forms of nationalism. "Jewish nationalism, or Zionism, is associated with fanaticism, racism, and fascism," said Manilla. Israeli interests, therefore, are suspect.

"(Advocates of supra-nationalism) insist Jews and Arabs should be able to live together in peace," he says. "But this is a purely doctrinal thesis. It's not reality because Arab hostility towards Jews has not lessened."

Manilla also said Israel will not be able to enlist the support of an ally if all the states in the world are united in their opposition to Jewish nationalism.

Bush's approach to international relations has had a tremendous influence in the western world, said Manilla. He cited, as examples, the pending economic union of European countries and the widespread condemnation of resurgent German nationalism.

"The rise of supra-nationalism is the most formidable new reality we must reckon with," said Manilla. "It has created a sharpness, and the edge of that sharpness must be felt by the Jewish people," he said. "Jews must adapt and adjust their thinking."

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Immigration quota increased

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

The U.S. government will allow nearly twice as many Soviet Jews to immigrate here in the next year as arrived here during the past 12 months.

The reason is that far fewer Soviet Jews than expected came to the United States during the 1991 fiscal year, which ended Sept. 30.

At the Bush administration's request, Congress had provided funding for 40,000 Soviet Jews to come, but largely because of processing problems in the Soviet Union, only 26,680 actually arrived, according to the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society.

For the 1992 fiscal year, which began Oct. 1, the United States will allow 61,000 refugees to immigrate here from the Soviet Union, including about 50,000 Jews.

The quota, which U.S. President George Bush officially set Oct. 10, also applies to those who lived in the Baltic republics prior to U.S. recognition of their independence on Sept. 2.

The figure was agreed to late last month in negotiations with the House and Senate judiciary committees. It includes the same quota of 50,000 Soviet refugees set at the beginning of the last fiscal year, plus 11,000 refugee slots never used in 1991.

In fact, 13,320 of the places set aside for Soviet Jews were never used in fiscal year 1991. Why only 11,000 of those places were added to the 1992 refugee ceiling is not yet clear.

In September, 4,163 Soviet Jewish refugees entered the United States, the largest monthly total this year. If that pace is maintained through 1992, expectations of reaching the 50,000 mark will likely be realized.

Soviet Jewish immigration to Israel still dwarfs immigration to the United States, but the level of aliyah has dropped off considerably in recent months.

A total of 9,877 Soviet Jews arrived in Israel during September, and the government now expects the year's total to reach only 150,000 by the end of December, much lower than originally anticipated.

Schifter cited Israel's economic problems as the main reason why more Soviet Jews are not leaving for Israel.

But he said the Soviets are still imposing two notable barriers to Jewish emigration: Visas are denied to those with alleged access to state secrets and those with economic obligations to relatives.

So-called "poor relative" cases number in the hundreds, while there remain around 40 "state secrecy" denials, Schifter said.

A Russian immigrant (left) sells household goods to a woman in Kyriat Sharet in Holon. Many Russian immigrants sell all kinds of goods to augment the money they receive from the Jewish Agency. [IPPA photo]

Soviet olim move to territories

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Some 4,300 new immigrants — representing 1.1 per cent of the total number of arrivals — have settled in the territories since January 1990, according to the Finance Ministry's latest immigration figures.

The figures also show that since April 1990, the government has begun construction on a total of 4,500 housing units in the territories — considerably less than the 15,780 claimed by Housing Minister Ariel Sharon.

The housing units in the territories represent some five per cent of the government's total building program. The 4,300 units includes 1,800 caravans and mini-caravans.

According to the report, issued by the Finance Ministry's monitoring office, 200,000 immigrants will arrive in 1992.

But the report cautions that the number is dependent on a number of factors, including the economic and political situation in the Soviet Union, immigration policy in Western countries and the degree of success Israel has in absorbing the immigrants.

The report also points out that the immigration law enacted by the Soviet Union may be cancelled by the independent republics.

According to the report, the threat of anti-Semitism continues to hover over the Jewish community in the Soviet Union and could be triggered by general civil unrest or by a move toward independence in the republics. The threat is especially great in Russia, according to the report.

However, it also says that the Soviet Jewish community there seems largely unaware of the danger.

Other statistics released by the ministry yesterday include:

• A total of 340,000 immigrants (or 121,400 families) have arrived here since January 1990, including 300,000 from the Soviet Union, 24,000 from Ethiopia, and 16,000 from other countries.

During 1991 alone, over 140,000 immigrants have arrived, including nearly 117,000 from the Soviet Union.

Geographic Distribution:

• Over 46 per cent of the immigrants chose to settle in the Tel Aviv and central area, 33 per cent in the north, 12.1 per cent in Jerusalem and 7.8 per cent in the south.

• Some of the towns that have grown the most from the current wave of immigration are Nazareth, Karmiel, Safed, and Arad — which have increased their population by between 20-27 per cent as a result of the new arrivals.

Housing:

• The government has begun construction on a total of 56,300 housing units since April 1990 — far fewer than the 95,000 units originally planned. Some of the remainder will be started by the end of the year, while others will be pushed off until next year.

Government aid:

• Immigrants from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia receive an "absorption basket" to help them through the first 12 months in the country. Over 113,000 immigrants that have arrived since January 1990 have already been here for one year, and no longer receive these payments.

Work:

• Some 30,700 immigrants are looking for work. They represent nearly 22 per cent of the total number of unemployed in the country. Among immigrants, unemployment has reached 33 per cent, as compared to 10.8 per cent for the entire population.

• Educated immigrants have a much smaller chance of finding work.

• Many immigrants who worked in jobs requiring academic degrees in their country of origin are working in Israel as non-skilled laborers: While 34 per cent of the immigrants reported working in academic jobs in the Soviet Union, only 8.9 per cent work in jobs requiring academic degrees here.

• Immigrants begin looking for work soon after their arrival. Some 35 per cent of the immigrants begin looking for work within three months of their arrival, while within the first year, a full 50 per cent are already working or looking for jobs.

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Jewish Life

Rabbinical Reflections

By
RABBI LARRY KAPLAN

We live in hectic times. Yet, even though there are many problems, there is also the possibility of opportunity.

The portion for this week is Vayera, which includes the Akeda, the Binding of Isaac. Most people don't understand that the testing of Abraham is not just the command to sacrifice his and Sarah's son of their old age, as horrendous as that was. In order to fully understand the significance of this "testing," consideration for prior events is necessary.

The parshah begins with God visiting with Abraham and relating to him what God intended to do with Sodom and Gomorrah. As part of that discussion, Abraham challenges God to be careful, lest innocent people die along with the wicked, when he asks, "Shall not the Judge of the Universe Himself do justly?" I have always experienced God's response to Abraham as that of approval.

During the course of these discussions, God also tells Abraham that he and Sarah are going to have a child even though she had ceased to be in the way of women. They were told it would be through their child that the covenant would continue, not through his first son, Ishmael. This can be found in Genesis, Chapter 18.

In Chapter 22 we find the Akeda, the other constituent of this drama. Now they are told to sacrifice this son. It is only after Abraham, holding the knife in his hand, reaches to strike his son, that he is told, "Don't do it."

Soren Kirkegaard, in his book, *Fear and Trembling*, analyzes the total trust that Abraham had in God. He points out that if Abraham did not both accept the promise made prior to Isaac's birth and the command to sacrifice his son, then there really was no test. It is in Abraham's total trust that the basis is laid for the future.

What does this have to do with today? I believe that every generation is similarly tested. I believe that trust is an issue not only between humans, but between humankind and God.

I believe that the miracle of Jewish existence is not an accident. Let's take a good look at our history and compare it to that of other nations and peoples of the world. What other people in all of human history brought a dead language to life? What other people in all of human history returned to its original home and created a nation state? We can focus on the horrors of our history or on the fact that we have survived regardless of our enemies.

And, we have not only survived, we have continued to contribute to civilization, way beyond our numbers.

To truly merit our ancestors' covenant with God, then the example of Abraham and Sarah's trust can be a guide through the perilous currents of this wonderful and awesome world we have been given to share.

(Rabbi Larry Kaplan is a Montreal rabbi.)

YOUNG BARGAIN HUNTERS
School children hunt for bargains at the second hand bookfair outside Tel Aviv. The cost of textbooks is becoming quite expensive and scenes like this outside many schools are becoming common. [IPPA photo]

Petach Tikva hospital offers hope for peace

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Just northeast of Tel Aviv, near Ben-Gurion Airport, is Petach Tikva, a city whose name means "gate of hope."

The symbolism isn't lost on Uri Bar-Ner, former Israeli consul general for the midwestern United States, who has taken early leave of his post in order to promote the Children's Medical Centre of Israel, the children's hospital being built adjacent to the Beilinson Medical Centre in Petach Tikva.

In fact, symbolism appears to be epidemic in the hospital. In addition to functioning as a gate of hope in the city of the same name, Bar-Ner says, the hospital is also being billed as a "bridge to peace" in the troubled region.

The great expectations for hope and peace are exemplified in the hospital's charter, which states that the non-denominational facility is open to children of all races, religions and nationalities.

While the same is also true of other hospitals, the Children's Medical Centre is the only hospital to have this egalitarianism incorporated into its charter and the only one prepared to accept children from other countries arriving in Israel without visas, according to Bar-Ner.

The seven-floor, 224-bed facility, scheduled to open this fall, is the only pediatric specialty care hospital in the Middle East and one of only a few in the region that encompasses the Middle East, Asia and Africa.

The centre will "transcend borders" by opening its doors to infants, children and adolescents of all denominations in the region, Bar-Ner says.

The facility will become the national centre for transplants in Israel, including bone marrow, liver, kidney and heart-lung transplants. Until now, children requiring transplants had to be sent abroad for surgery.

The hospital will also serve as a national juvenile diabetes centre.

Other departments geared specifically for pediatric patients include radiology, oncology and hematology, and psychiatry. For the first time in Israel, all medical services for children will be provided under one roof.

The hospital is designed to meet not only the medical needs of its young patients, but their psychological needs as well.

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In other words, Bar-Ner says, "it's going to be a friendly hospital."

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The idea for the hospital was conceived by Irving Schneider, who played a key role in establishing both the Schneider Children's Hospital, a division of the Long Island Jewish Medical Centre, and the Children's Medical Centre of Israel.

Schneider, a New York businessman and philanthropist, learned during the construction of the Schneider Children's Hospital that it was the only Jewish-sponsored children's hospital in the world.

"That aroused my curiosity," Schneider said. "That's when I did my homework and got in touch with Kupat Holim."

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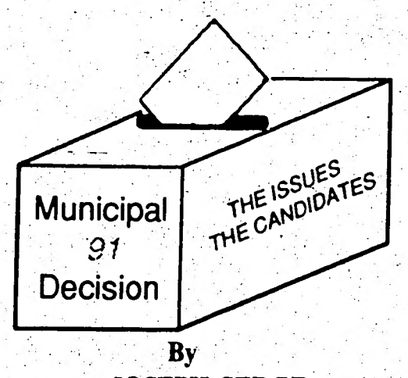
Nobleman, Mendelson run in City of York's Ward 1



By
JOSEPH SERGE

The two Jewish candidates running for City of York alderman in Ward 1 offer voters a choice between experience and change.

On the side of experience is 66-year-old Ben Nobleman, the ward's veteran alderman for 25 years.

Challenging him is newcomer Roz Mendelson, who's determined to fight what she feels is pettiness at York City Hall.

The ward is bounded by Eglinton Avenue south to St. Clair Avenue and from Bathurst Street west to Rushton Road.

Nobleman told *The CJN* that his experience means he can get things done more efficiently. "I still consider myself a reformer and have the experience necessary to cut red tape.

"Because of my experience I feel I have much to contribute to, and still can contribute on the municipal level."

Mendelson, who's worked as a constituency assistant for former area member of Parliament John Roberts and former MPP Chaviva Hosek, believes council members have not been working together. "We have some aldermen who've run the city as sheikdoms with no regard for the people of York," she said. "All they do is argue and fight on an emotional level and get very little done."

As an alderman, Mendelson, 62, says she can set the tone for future meetings. "City members will have to look at things in a far more business-like, rational way. They should speak together civily and investigate the ramifications of the issues. I expect to bring respect and dignity to the office."

Both contenders believe traffic is a major problem in Ward 1.

They say a lot of residual traffic from the overburdened Allen Expressway at Eglinton Avenue ends up going through the residential areas there.

Nobleman, who is against a proposal to set up barriers to divert the traffic, wants to take the issue to the electorate.

"I'm running again for alderman because I want to be on the council for this traffic problem. I want to make sure that the popular solution [is voted in]."

Mendelson said the city wasted a lot of money on a consultant's report, which suggested drastic measures "that would cut up the neighborhoods.

Roz Mendelson

Ben Nobleman

"The city has always looked at band-aid measures to solve the issues and the traffic problem is evidence of that. I want to make the streets safe and still convenient for residents to get in and out."

Both candidates cite speeding and a lack of police enforcement in the ward as a concern.

Active in the Jewish community for 30 years, Nobleman has fought to make the City of York respect the holidays of minority groups.

He was upset that a council meeting had been scheduled during Yom Kippur, so he got Mayor Fergie Brown to postpone it. At the next meeting Nobleman put forward a resolution to ban meetings on any religious holidays.

A street sign in York praises Nobleman and Brown for their roles in re-opening the China House parking lot to alleviate the parking problem in the ward.

The incumbent has won TTC approval to install an elevator at the Heath Street entrance to the St. Clair West subway station. "Construction begins in spring," he says. "This will be good for seniors and disabled children."

The Heath Street subway entrance also concerns Mendelson.

"There's no staff after 6 p.m. or on weekends," she says. Residents in the area are concerned about their safety: "They are afraid to use the subway at night."

Another subway safety problem is at Eglinton Avenue West. Cars spilling off the expressway create a hazard for pedestrians crossing Eglinton Avenue to the subway station, Mendelson says.

"There is a terrible crosswalk. The solution is to provide an entrance to the station on the south side of the street."

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Gordon running in Ward 14

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO –

"When you lose your idealism, it's time to leave politics," says Gerry Gordon, self-described idealist and candidate for Ward 14 City of Toronto councillor.

Having already knocked on over 3,000 doors, Gordon is emphatic about being available to listen to constituents. "When you represent people, you should do it on a consensus basis, says the 28-year-old Jewish fundraising consultant.

He says that residents of the ward, which runs from the CPR tracks north to the Belt Line, and from Christie Street east to Mount Pleasant Road, have been unhappy about Howard Levine, the incumbent councillor, not always responding to phone calls and not attending ratepayers' meetings. Gordon is also running against Anthony Burson and John Gunning.

One of the main issues concerning Gordon is market value assessment, under which city taxes reflect 1988 market values.

The ward encompasses the Spadina-St. Clair area, Forest Hill and the Davenport-Bathurst area, established communities where homeowners, particularly senior citizens, have already paid for services like roads and sewers and are now just paying for administration, Gordon told *The CJN*.

Gerry Gordon

Gordon reports seeing tears in the eyes of some seniors who are worried about taxes increasing beyond their means. "I won't stand for that, even if I have to stay up every night," he says. "There are other alternatives."

As a first step, he suggests bringing a group of ratepayers together in the form of an advisory board to work with city council on a regular basis.

"We need more participatory democracy," says Gordon, adding that ratepayers' and tenants' groups of the type he suggests have worked successfully in other cities.

Maintaining and enhancing parklands, and curtailing projects such as the co-operative housing project at Bathurst and St. Clair to minimize negative impact on existing neighborhoods, are also important to Gordon.

For that project, he would like to see buildings no higher than nine storeys (as opposed to highrises) and less dense coverage than is currently proposed. The project is still "at the stage where things can be changed," Gordon says. Cathy Filman, the president of the Hillcrest Ratepayers Association has endorsed him.

Gordon also plans to implement "creative public safety initiatives" for women and will "fight very strongly against transportation of dangerous goods on railways running through Ward 14."

He "would love" to see better lighting and 24-hour-a-day security guards in underground parking garages and would endorse mandatory recycling in some sectors.

Gordon once worked as a political assistant to member of Parliament John Roberts. "I'm very strong on working with committees and getting the job done," he says.

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Organizations and People

Israel exciting: Koffler

TORONTO —

One of four Canadians to be honored by the New Leadership division of State of Israel Bonds spoke recently about his experience doing business in Israel.

Leon Koffler, president and general manager of Super-Pharm (Israel) Ltd., heads up a chain of retail pharmacies that he has nurtured for the past 10 years. With a total customer count of 400,000 per month, he hears many compliments from the public. "The better we got," Koffler says, "the better our customers got. The more successful we became, the better we became at serving our customer."

Koffler, who has lived in Tel Aviv since 1981 with his wife Irit and their three children, often talks about the emotional rewards of doing business in Israel. Apart from the financial rewards, Koffler says there is the so-called "cavod" or the honor and privilege of doing business in Israel.

Koffler links the success of the Super-Pharm chain directly to the success of Shoppers Drug Mart, which he was involved with in Canada and the United States. His connection to Shoppers Drug Mart and his experience with North American know-how keeps Super-Pharm ahead of the Israeli pharmaceutical pack, he says. Future growth of the chain will depend greatly on the complicated bureaucracy in Israel and the changing laws for the retail pharmacy industry. Koffler says he can see doubling the number of stores and perhaps going public.

Koffler says Israel is a very exciting place to be. "The world revolves around Israel. And now, there is added excitement seeing the new immigrants flooding in. No other country in the world would undertake such a massive project and be so ill-prepared for it.

"The truth is that there are great difficulties in the settlement of immigrants — the economy is bad, housing is poor and lacking," Koffler admits, underlining Israel's desperate need for loans, especially those from State of Israel Bonds. "If Israel Bonds benefit from the association with my name, then I have accomplished a double mitzvah. One for the Bonds organization and one for the Israel that I love."

This year, every penny raised by the Canadian Israel Bonds Organization will be directed towards the settlement, employment and education of Soviet and Ethiopian immigrants in Israel. About 220,000 immigrants have arrived, including 111,000 Soviets and about 16,000 Ethiopians.

Revenue generated from the sale of Israel Bonds will be injected directly into Israel's development budget. Funds will be allocated to the nation's infrastructure, including house and road construction, the building of power plants and sewage systems, and the development of research programs to reshape Israel's economy.

New economic orbit

Israeli urban planners say the country's population of 4.8 million will grow by 1.6 million in the next five years. About 1.2 million are expected to be olim. A recent report says the educational qualifications of new immigrants and the reshaping of Israel's economy could spin the nation into a new economic orbit.

Israel's Finance Ministry offers a variety of investment instruments through the Israel Bonds Organization in Canada. All instruments have an attractive rate of return and are completely backed by Israel, which has never defaulted on either interest or principal.

Toronto's New Leadership division of the State of Israel Bonds Organization is honoring Koffler, Paul Lowenstein and David P. Baskin of Canadian Corporate Funding Ltd., and Robert Eli Rubinstein of H&R Property Management Ltd. — for the contributions they have made to the economic well-being of Israel.

Canadians buy more State of Israel Bonds, per capita, than any other people in the world. This year, sales of bonds and notes in Canada are expected to constitute more than 10 percent of those sold worldwide.

"Toronto was the number one city worldwide after New York in terms of bonds and notes in 1990. This year, Toronto will be among the top five cities and Montreal among the top 10 worldwide," says Erol Araf, national director of corporate market development for State of Israel Bonds. "According to the 1991 forecasts, worldwide sales of Bonds and Notes will exceed $1 billion (U.S.) Canada's goal will be to make up 10 percent of that total."

That figure may increase to more than 10 percent due to the introduction in August of the Canadian Variable Rate Issue (CVRI) Bond. Now, employee funds, pension funds, foundations, and other organizations will be able to invest in State of Israel Bonds. A large number of Canadian financial institutions, including major chartered banks, already invest in Israel Bonds.

"Typically, bonds issued by governments, even foreign governments, are less risky than bonds and other debt instruments issued by corporate or non-government entities," says Jody Samuels-Silver, money trader at Morgan Bank of Canada and co-chair of the Isreal Means Business campaign. "Israel has never defaulted on a loan.

"The new CVRI Bond has a guaranteed minimum return of 7.5 percent which will protect investors against any significant decline in interest rates," adds Samuels-Silver. "This is a reflection of the global interest-rate environment which prevails in today's capital markets."

The Israel Means Business Gala Tribute Dinner will be held at the Inn on the Park's Centennial Ballroom on Oct. 27. For tickets or sponsorship information, call Carolyn Hays at (416) 789-3351.

Welland leader dies

WELLAND, Ont. —

Dr. Julius Ennis, 72, former president of the Welland Jewish Community and of the Welland United Israel Appeal, died here recently.

He served on the Welland Board of Education for 18 years and was a former chairman.

The late Dr. Ennis, a consulting pediatrician, had many connections with Israel. When the Welland Jewish community sold the Anshe Yosher Synagogue, the proceeds were used to set up a new synagogue in Nes Ziona, a town of 15,000 in Israel's "silicon valley," near Rehovot.

When Maurice Ennishevsky, his father, died, the Ennis family set up a nursery school in Ashkelon in his memory.

Surviving are his wife, Lillian; three sons, Paul, Jon and Barry; a daughter, Nancy; three sisters, Mrs. Ruth Segal, Mrs. Pearl Davis, and Mrs. Rita Weintraub; a brother, Bunny, of Welland; and six grandchildren, Simon, Joshua, Miriam, Naomi, Isabelle and Samuel.

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By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

A woman tearfully mourned the loss of her brother, who just wanted some home-made borscht before AIDS killed him.

Another woman, choking back tears, spoke aloud to her male friend, who was felled by AIDS last spring.

A man related how several of his friends have tested positive to the AIDS-carring virus, HIV.

"Like the Holocaust, this holocaust of AIDS has its survivors," he said.

Offered another, "Suffering is pain that has yet to find meaning, some context."

Last week's memorial service at Holy Blossom Temple for those who have died of AIDS brought with it a wave of grief for the friends, lovers and caregivers left behind.

The hour-long memorial, entitled Keep Their Memories Alive, featured responsive readings, prayers, songs, candle lighting and personal remembrances of those killed by AIDS.

The names of about two dozen people claimed by AIDS were recited.

The moving service ended with the recitation of Kaddish and with hugs between its roughly 75 participants.

Part of AIDS Awareness Week in Metro, the service focused on Jews who have died from AIDS, something organizers have in the past lamented as not being on the Jewish community's list of priorities.

But attitudes are slowly changing. Holy Blossom continues its two-year-old AIDS Assist Program, a pioneering venture co-sponsored by Jewish Family & Child Service, in which trained Jewish volunteers provide practical assistance or act as buddies for those who are HIV positive or have AIDS.

According to its volunteer co-ordinator, Mindy Goodman, the program so far has matched nine people who are HIV positive or who have AIDS with buddies. Of those, three are still in the program, two have opted out and four have died.

Of the four deaths, three occurred last spring.

Holy Blossom also sponsors the HIV Support Group, which allows Jewish HIV positive men and women, their lovers, families and caregivers, the opportunity to share their experiences.

The group is open only to gay Jewish men who are HIV positive, said Goodman. There are currently four participants and if any woman or heterosexual men show interest, they will be accommodated, she added.

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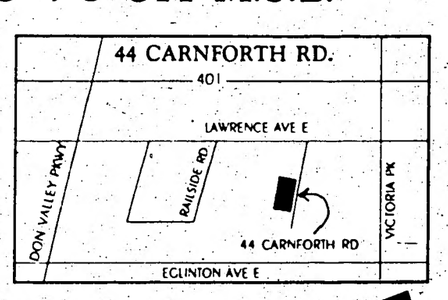

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Soap star, Shirley slated for Pioneer Women Bazaar

TORONTO —

Television personalities and a professionally staged fashion show will mark this year's Pioneer Women Bazaar and Auction on Sunday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the International Centre, 6900 Airport Rd.

The auction will feature a special hour-long appearance by Eric Braeden, one of the stars of the daily soap opera *The Young and The Restless* at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Guest auctioneers will include Shirley Solomon, star of the CFTO show *Shirley*, as well as columnist Zaviera.

Among the treasures to be sold are original autographed scripts from *The Young And The Restless, The Bold & The Beautiful* and *Days Of Our Lives*, as well as semi-precious jewellery worn by the stars of Y & R.

Other auction lots include a return El Al ticket to Israel, a thousand dollar complete custom wardrobe from a well-known Toronto couturier, gold jewellery, full-laid broadloom, luggage, paintings, a flight over Toronto in a private plane, restaurant vouchers and holiday weekends.

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Shirley Solomon

The Pioneer Women Bazaar and Auction, which has been an annual event for 63 years, will feature a door prize of $5,000, awarded to one purchaser of a $2 admission ticket, as well as hourly give-aways.

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Publication ban approved

TORONTO —

A judge last week ordered a publication ban in the preliminary inquiry of a man charged with telephoning a threat last January to the Jewish Students' Union at the University of Toronto.

Shahid Mahmood Mian is charged with one count of conveying a false message.

Mian elected to have a trial by judge and jury.

The trial is scheduled for Nov. 27.

His lawyer asked for the publication ban. The Crown and judge agreed to it.

The JSU building, at 604 Spadina Ave., received anti-Semitic telephone calls and bomb threats during the Gulf War. Five threats were made regarding Israel Day, held Jan. 22 in the lobby of the Sidney Smith building.

Organizations and People

CJC, natives go after Fromm

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Representatives of Canadian Jewish Congress and the Native Canadian Centre have met with the provincial minister responsible for race relations in a bid to take further action against teacher Paul Fromm.

Following the meeting, Elaine Ziemba, minister for citizenship, culture and race relations, told *The CJN* she plans to meet with the Ontario Education Minister Marion Boyd to discuss the question of racism in schools. She said she expected they will also discuss the Fromm issue.

Fromm, a teacher in the Peel Board of Education who has been associated with right-wing organizations, shouted out "scalp them" while native leader A.R. Bobiwash was addressing the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Community and Race Relations.

The Native Canadian Centre (NCC) has subsequently called for his decertification and removal from the classroom.

David Satok, chairman of community relations for Canadian Jewish Congress, said he believes the Peel Board of Education, which said the teacher's views did not enter the classroom, is "stonewalling the matter" and refusing to take a stand on it.

Elaine Ziemba

"We think it's an outrage that a public trust has been violated," Satok said. "We want the board to complete a thorough investigation looking into Fromm's links to neo-Nazi and racist groups and what impact it has in terms of his being a teacher."

Ziemba said she has asked the Ontario anti-racism secretariat to collect further information on the Fromm case.

William Kent, chairman of the Peel Board of Education, said an administrative review of Fromm found that there was "no evidence whatsoever" that he expressed his political views in the classroom.

Kent said the review consisted of an interview with Fromm and an examination of previous performance reviews in his teaching record.

Responding to suggestions the Board look into Fromm's political associations, Kent said he has heard of these proposals only in the press. He said it would not be appropriate for the Board to solicit that sort of information, but if Congress or others present the Board with evidence that brings into question a teacher's ability to function properly, the Board will look at it.

UJA WINE TASTING

An evening of kosher wine tasting was recently sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Network of United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus, at the home of Julie Solomon. Seated (from left) are wine expert Carol Slatt of LORAC Wine and Food; and Solomon. Standing are Pam Rosmarin, co-chairman of Outreach of B&P; and Susan Godin, who made a presentation on behalf of B&P Network.

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Max Rubenstein

The officers and faculty of Ner Israel Yeshiva have chosen to honour Max Rubenstein, a member of the board of directors, at the Ner Israel 32nd annual dinner to be held Saturday evening, November 9 at Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Synagogue.

Rubenstein has dedicated himself to Ner Israel from the time the school was founded in 1959 by his late father Herschel Rubenstein זצ"ל and Meyer Lebovic.

A prominent businessman, Rubenstein founded Export Packers Co. Limited in 1937 and presently serves as chairman of the board. He and his wife Eve have four children and six grandchildren. His oldest son, Jeff, is president and chief executive officer of Export Packers. Jeff, one of the first students at the Yeshiva, is also a member of the executive committee of Ner Israel.

This will mark the first time in the Yeshiva's history that a son of a previous honouree will be the guest of honour. Herschel Rubenstein was the honouree in 1978 at the Yeshiva's 19th annual dinner.

For further information and reservations please call the Yeshiva office 731-1224.

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The Boyman Family

Jerusalem misunderstood by U.S., says Hartman

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

"American foreign policy hasn't a clue what the issue of Jerusalem is about," Rabbi David Hartman told an audience of 600 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue recently.

His lecture was presented by the Edward Bronfman Family Chair in Ethics and Religious Pluralism of the Shalom Hartman Institute, Jerusalem, and titled Jerusalem, City of Reconciliation or Religious Extremism.

Hartman referred to the occupation of five houses in the Arab village of Silwan within the environs of Jerusalem by Jewish settlers. "This is the tip of the iceberg, that type of madness will go on and on," he said.

The status of Jerusalem will be the leading topic of the forthcoming peace conference, he predicted. "Questions about Jerusalem will surface there. Jews will be asked why Jerusalem is so central to them."

One reason American foreign policy planners do not understand the issue, he said, "is that Jerusalem is a city in which God speaks to man, not a city in which men gather to speak to God."

Bronfman, a member of the Shalom Hartman Institute Board, introduced Rabbi Hartman and declared: "David Hartman believes the Torah must be brought into the marketplace."

Rabbi David Hartman

Sol Lederman, president of the Institute, referred to Bronfman as a philanthropist "who does not surface very often." He thanked him for hosting the lecture.

Rabbi Hartman said he was frightened by the religious fanaticism he sees in Israel. In reply to a question from the audience, he said: "You can't argue with them. Learn to protect yourself."

On a personal note, Rabbi Hartman said he wanted to welcome Bronfman's new bride, Marcia, and introduced her to the audience.

Hadassah honors Callwood

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Canadian writer and women's activist June Callwood was honored by Toronto Hadassah-WIZO at its recent meeting at Adath Israel Synagogue held to launch October as Toronto Hadassah-WIZO month in the City of North York.

The annual event, proclaimed by North York mayor Mel Lastman, seeks to promote membership and to showcase Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's involvement in Israel in such areas as education, health and child care, immigrant absorption and services for the elderly.

In Canada, Hadassah-WIZO, the largest Jewish women's organization in the country and one of the largest WIZO federations in the world, has done such things as establish scholarships in women's studies at various Canadian universities and a special bursary in memory of the 14 women slain at the Universite de Montreal.

In accepting a plaque from president Rosalie Flomen, Callwood told the group that she is "struck by the kinds of services you are supporting in Israel and how many of these services help Israeli children."

Callwood said that "women have been betrayed by men in our sense of responsibility towards needy people such as the ill, elderly and children. It is a human responsibility that should be shared with men — not just women. In the '90s let us make bridges so that all humans hear a child cry — not just women."

Keynote speaker Helena Glaser, newly elected chairman of the Israel WIZO federation, said that WIZO services in Israel were in action throughout the Persian Gulf War. "Volunteers phoned and helped ease the fears of the elderly and immigrants and all shelters operated as usual."

June Callwood

She said that although women in Israeli have come a long way "we are still striving towards a fair and just society. At every level we are still on the road to acheiving our goals. Although Israel guarantees equal rights to all citizens no matter their race, religion or sex, the rights towards women are a myth."

Glaser added that the status of Israeli women in public life is a subject of serious concern for all. "The gap in wages between men and women in public office is about 30 percent and there is a low percentage of women in the Knesset."

She said that as part of its efforts to help Israeli women, WIZO has set up 29 legal advice bureaus in the country staffed by social workers, lawyers and psychologists, one especially for Russian olim, that provide assistance to thousands of women annually.

"As well, we run a shelter for battered women that is the only one in the country that is truly a rehabilitation centre. Women must go through therapy and no-one is accepted more than twice — they must want to change. There are also five 24-hour hotlines for battered women as well as a rape crisis centre."

Glaser said that the status of women is truly a state of mind. "No woman with a poor self image will demand her rights. WIZO tries to rescue women in physical and emotional danger and educate them through programs that develop their skills and broaden their horizons."

WIZO is also involved in helping absorb new immigrants, and volunteers are always on hand to meet them upon arrival, distribute clothing and help them with such things as dealing with government offices, finding jobs, opening a bank account and registering for school.

Glaser said that education of both native Israelis and immigrants is a long-standing concern and WIZO operates daycare centres, vocational schools and children and youth villages.

Young Judaea holds fall rally

TORONTO —

Canadian Young Judaea's (YJ) fall Opening Rally was recently held at Earl Bales Park and enthusiastically welcomed by 150 Toronto area youngsters as they gathered in the park munching hot dogs, potato chips, drinking Cokes and thumbing through photo albums.

Dana Cappel and Ilana Hirt, the new "Rosh Bayit," were given a rousing cheer when they were introduced. They spoke about Young Judaea's activities in Toronto and in the small communities in Ontario and mentioned the first weekend in October, when YJ held its Fall Mifgash at Camp Shalom from Oct. 4 to 6; the National Camp Conference to be held on Oct. 27, at which time camp committee members, directors, program directors from Canadian Young Judaea's affiliated camps across Canada are to meet to discuss Zionist programming and administrative issues; those slated to assist at Toronto Hadassah-WIZO's annual bazaar.

One of YJ's goals for this year is to concentrate on the small communities and to bring them more information about Israel and Judaism. Cities such as Niagara Falls, Oakville, Kitchener, and Kingston are a few.

As well, a Young Judaea Mifgash is being planned for Halifax on Nov. 8 to 10; and for Young Judaea staff members, a Hadracha seminar in Israel will take place in December.

Under the direction of two shlichim from Israel, Young Judaea is guided by Shmuel Levkovitz in Toronto and Gadi Anavi in Montreal. Co-ordinating programs in the different regions is YJ's national program director Rebecca Glass who is also involved in the Friends of Canadian Young Judaea of which Robert Feldman is chairman.

Art auction planned

TORONTO —

The friends of Bikur Cholim Hospital are turning to art to benefit Jerusalem's oldest sanctuary for the sick.

They've scheduled an auction of fine art for Oct. 29 at the Park Plaza Hotel. Previews begin at 6:30 p.m., with the auction itself at 7:30. All of the works have been donated, and there are no reserve bids.

The history of Bikur Cholim Hospital dates back to 19th century Palestine. In 1843, when there were no hospitals at all in the country, a "visiting the sick" society was formed to help treat hundreds of ill, impoverished Jerusalem residents.

The Toronto Friends of Bikur Cholim organization is designating auction proceeds for gynacological and neo-natal care.

The auction is being conducted by Rosen Fine Art. For further information about the auction please contact Stephen or Ruth Rosen, 886-0037.

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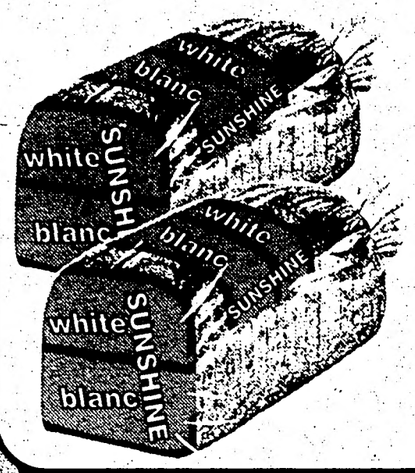

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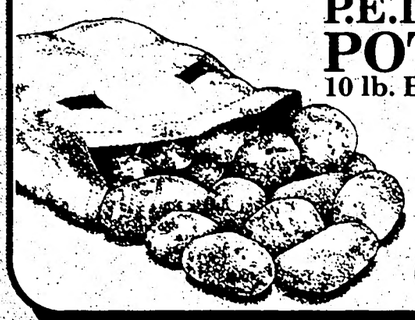

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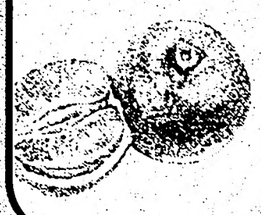

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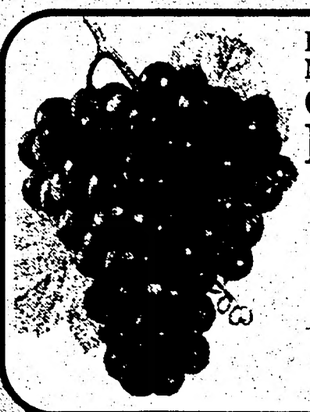

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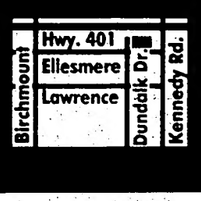

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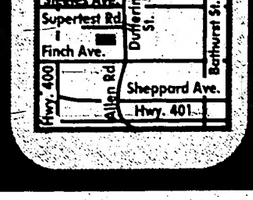

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Kehilla launches integrated building

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO

A $15.5 million apartment building with 111 units for seniors, families and singles, including some disabled, is being built by Toronto's Jewish housing agency.

The new building, called Avenel, expected to be ready by July of next year, is on Ridley Boulevard, near the corner of Avenue Road and Wilson Avenue, and is a neighbor of two condominiums and Temple Sinai.

It is a project of the Kehilla Residential Program affiliated with the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

At the ground breaking recently, Michael Steele, chairman, said Avenel will have 34 one-bedroom, 43 two-bedroom and 34 three-bedroom apartments. A total of 18 units are designed for disabled persons.

A majority of the units will have rents geared to income, subsidized by a $2 million annual grant from the provincial and federal governments, $1.2 million of this coming from Ontario.

The rest of the rents will be based on rents of comparable apartments in North York, and, according to a Kehilla official, will range from $800 to $1,200 a month for the three-bedrooms.

Ninety of the 111 units will have rents geared to income, Margaret Harrington, representing Ontario Housing Minister Evelyn Gigantes, told the small group assembled for the ground breaking.

Steele said there would be program rooms in Avenel for children, families and seniors and that they would benefit residents of nearby condominiums.

"We are committed to an increase in affordable housing," said Steven Ain of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

John Bosley, MP for Don Valley West, represented the federal government.

Steele thanked Tridel, developers of the condominiums on the property, for their "compassion and patience" in aiding negotiations for the Avenel project.

At the ground breaking are (from left) Steve Weinrieb; Margaret Harrington, MPP; Michael Steele, chairman, KRP; John Bosley, MP; Keith Ray and Steve Ain. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Organizations and People

Kesher opens Durbach's eyes to Ethiopian olim

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
The summer of 1991 is one that Nadine Durbach is not ever likely to forget.

After a Young Zionist mission with Kesher, a group made up of people aged 18 to 35 that met in Jerusalem to attend seminars that discuss important Israeli issues, Durbach was led to an Ethiopian absorption centre where she and a group from the United States worked and lived for almost three weeks.

"This was the first North American volunteer group to work in an absorption centre and I was the only Canadian in the group," says Durbach.

She says that the centre, located in Netanya, was originally a holiday resort for Israeli soldiers and is now rented out to the Jewish Agency for absorption purposes.

Durbach, 20, a student at York University, says that she found living in the absorption centre "very interesting because I was exposed to the daily routines of a people from a different culture. These people are completely unexposed to things that we take for granted and it really made me realize the things that non-westernized societies do not have — things as simple as knives and forks, running water, locks and keys and many children's toys."

In addition to running an art class for children, Durbach did such things as working in the office, checking for lice and running outdoor children's activities. "These kids have never known things like balls and frisbees and they really were very excited."

Nadine Durbach with Ethiopian Jewish children.

She notes however, that the more possessions the children received, the more trouble they had sharing. "I had to try and teach them, using a mixture of languages and hand signals, how 30 people can share one skipping rope."

All in all, Durbach says she was very impressed with both Israel's acceptance of the Ethiopian Jews and the Ethiopians themselves.

"The whole Israeli community was quite receptive and I witnessed no bigotry whatsoever. I came to Israel with the preconceived notion that there might be some racism, but I did not come across any."

She says that she was also impressed by the absorption centres. "Adults are educated right in the centres and they are taken on tours to such places as Yad Vashem. Most knew nothing about the Holocaust and they found that tour very emotional."

She added that Ethiopians are a very gentle, motivated and family-oriented people. "Some of Israel's finest soldiers are Ethiopians."

She concedes that had she not lived with the Ethiopians for those few weeks she would not know just how difficult it is to adapt to a new culture. "It is really a total transformation for them. When I saw those Ethiopians, however, that came to Israel several years ago with Operation Moses, I can see that they do become highly integrated. The teenagers typfify any Israeli teenagers with their fashions and make-up. They are all truly dedicated to the cause of Israel."

Durbach, who spent a year on Kibbutz Maayan Tsvi in 1989-1990, says that in coming back to Toronto after the summer, "I realize what I left behind in Israel. When I am there, I feel an energy, a generating life force. There is always so much going on."

She says she plans on returning to Israel this summer and she will most definitely stay in touch with some of the Ethiopian Jews she befriended last summer. "I am very anxious to see how they will have adjusted after a year in Israel."

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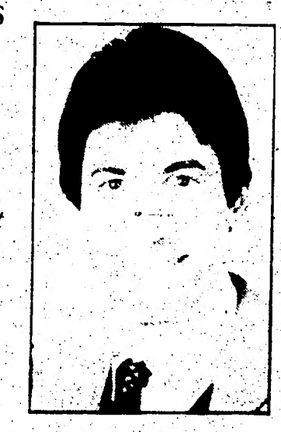

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Soviet Jews under fire: Cotler

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

If everything is so good for the Jews in the Soviet Union, why are things so bad there, demanded McGill University law professor and human rights activist Irwin Cotler, keynote speaker at the installation ceremonies for Mizrachi of Canada.

More has happened in the last two months than happened in the last 70 years: more in the last two years than the last 70 years," he told the over 300 delegates and guests at B'nai Torah Synagogue.

Many of the changes were encapsulated at the recent ceremonies marking the 50th anniversary of Babi Yar, when tens of thousands of Jews were ruthlessly massacred by the Nazis.

Cotler gave what he called snapshots of developments:

One of the main Soviet delegates, a member of the Soviet parliament, had been a political prisoner in the early 1980s;

President Mikhail Gorbachev sent a message decrying the growth of anti-Semitism;

The head of the KGB undertook to make a proper study of the fate of Raoul Wallenberg, described for the first time as a "disappeared" person, rather than as dead one;

Schools and cultural centres have opened;

The streets of Kiev were hung with banners in English, Yiddish, Hebrew and Ukrainian, saying "Never again;"

"Representatives of Israel and representatives of world Jewry heard representatives of the Ukraine asking forgiveness for not taking steps to stop what was happening at Babi Yar;"

For the first time survivors of Babi Yar broke their silence.

And the program ended with Bnei Akiva youngsters from Israel singing the traditional affirmation of faith *Ani Ma'amin*, "the metaphor of Jewish tragedy meeting the metaphor for Jewish affirmation."

An Israeli cameraman put down his camera and cried as a 92-year-old survivor of Babi Yar sang the K'El Molei Rachamim in Yiddish.

On the other hand, Cotler said, everywhere the Jews of the Soviet Union are in crisis.

In the newly independent states, he said, Jews are caught in the inter- ethnic struggles, seen as neither Russians nor part of the ethnic population.

Soviet Jews are being blamed for the burgeoning inflation, which is said to be reaching five percent a week, Cotler said.

"Only the co-ops are successful, and many are controlled and managed by Jews. Since they are seen as controlling what works, they are also seen as being responsible for what doesn't work."

Jews are seen as responsible for the erosion of the quality of life, including pollution, said Cotler.

Many Jews were involved with the Chernobyl nuclear reactor, so are being blamed for that disaster.

"Jews are even blamed for the Armenian earthquake — that a Jewish seismologist didn't warn of its approach."

Increasing anti-Semitism is being fueled by organizations like Pamyat, and by leading Soviet writers, who give it credence and legitimacy and "an intellectual and cultural anchorage."

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Jack Kahn was installed as national president of Mizrachi of Canada, succeeding Kurt Rothschild, now world chairman of the religious zionist organization.

Also installed were Dr. Howard Langer, Toronto president, and, in absentia, Avrum Drazin, as Montreal president.

Multiculturalism forum set

TORONTO —

Mosaic or Melting Pot: The Future of Multiculturalism in Canada will be discussed by a panel of representatives of federal political parties on Sunday, Oct. 27 at 11 a.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, 470 Glencairn Avenue.

Panelists will include MP Barbara Greene representing the Conservative Party, parliamentary multiculturalism critics Shirley Maheu (Liberal) and Margaret Mitchell (NDP), and Dr. Kwangyul Peck, representative of the Reform Party. The moderator will be Prof. Irving Abella.

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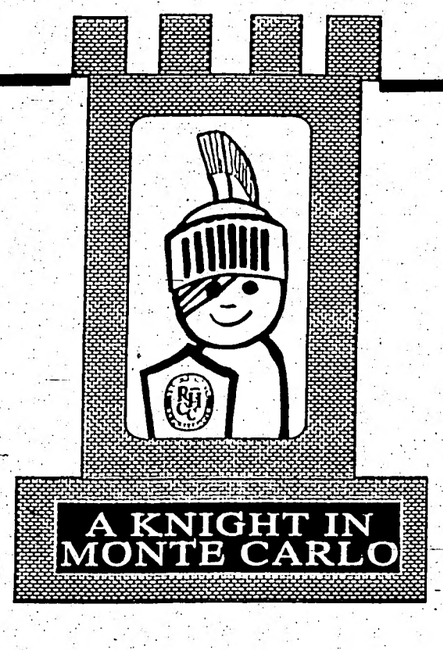

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Organizations and People

Israel's chief concern

Economic security...

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

"However we express our Jewishness . . . support of Israel, the strengthening of its economy and the assurance of its security must be our principal concern," the national chairman, State of Israel Bonds women's division, told guests at a recent luncheon at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Evelyn Schachter, who's also associate chairman, Combined Jewish Appeal of Montreal, was guest speaker at the Hamilton State of Israel Bonds women's division gala luncheon in honor of Liz Tick.

In a brief overview of recent history, its effect on Israel and the economic problems "the tiny state" faces not only as it tries to absorb the hundreds of thousands of new immigrants from the Soviet Union and Ethiopia, but also "in the wake of a worldwide economic crisis," Schachter noted that as Israel's strategic importance to the United States has totally changed in the aftermath of the Gulf War, "Israel and our people are facing a vague and undefined future.

"I was naively sure," Schachter went on, "that the end result of the Gulf War would be the United States pressuring its Arab allies to finally recognize Israel and that the peace process would proceed from there.

"(But) it seems that the only pressure being applied is on Israel, with the United States flexing its muscle regarding conditions of the $10 million loan guarantee."

Money needed

One certainty, Schachter stated, is that Israel needs the money, "millions of dollars," and that Canadian Jews can help reach the worldwide goal of $1 billion in the coming year by purchasing Israel Bonds, thus "hopefully, enabling Israel to stand strong and resist the pressure tactics being applied by the Americans."

In her warm and eloquent tribute, Beverley Lasky, chairman Great Lakes Region, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, described Tick as "a motivator" and "a person of action" with an "irrepressible spirit," dependable and energetic, a "hands-on person, modest and straight up."

Observing that being an involved and active member of the Jewish community "is an entirely voluntary commitment of time and energy," Lasky lauded Tick — a past president of Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO Council, former UJA women's division chairman and active volunteer on behalf of numerous and general community causes as well as a physiotherapist — for "having accepted the fulfilment of the commandment of tzedaka."

She initially became involved, she said, as a newly married woman wanting "to meet new friends" and for the social aspect.

But as she became more involved, she also "became more knowledgeable" about the local community and Israel "and the growing importance of working for a better community and a strong Israel."

And having visited Israel on several occasions, her commitment, said Tick, "became stronger and stronger."

Adding her tribute on behalf of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, national president Esther Matlow also praised Tick for her modesty and "dedication to Israel, which serves as an example to others."

Claire Mandel, executive director, Hamilton-Wentworth Area Jewish Federation, made the official presentation and others joining in the tribute included Stephanie McLean, UJA women's division chairman.

Former regional Israel Bonds director, Fanny Davine, thanked the guest speaker and women's division co-chairmen, Pearl Enkin and Sylvia Klein, co-chaired the luncheon.

Also taking part in the program were Faye Leibtag, Lorraine Cohen, Hannah Feldman, Wendy Schneider and Tick's husband, Stanley, and daughter, Jackie Barwin.

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...or halachic considerations

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

Israel's actions during this difficult time should be governed by halachic considerations of whether the state is in fact in a state of war, says Rabbi Meir Goldwicht.

Speaking in Hebrew at a shiur marking the opening of the annual meeting of Mizrachi of Canada, held last week in Toronto's B'nai Torah Congregation, Rabbi Goldwicht questioned why the Ramban, the scholar Nachmanides, said that living in Israel was one of the 613 basic mitzvot, while the Rambam, Maimonides, failed to mention that.

Other scholars argued over whether the obligation was an individual one, or for the Jewish people as a group.

One of the promises made by the nation of Israel to G-d was that they would not rebel against the nations among whom they lived, Rabbi Goldwicht said.

Since the nations of the world mandated the creation of the state of Israel in 1948, he said, some sages, like the Steipler gaon, say that Jews then have the obligation to support it.

State of war

Neturei Karta and the Satmar Chassidim, for instance, dispute this, he said, insisting that Jews are only obligated to be loyal to the countries in which they live, and that Israel, as a state, does not enter into the equation.

Another factor, said the rabbi, is the question of whether Israel is in a state of war, at all, and, if it is, is it a just war, one which Jews are obligated to support.

Maimonides, Rabbi Goldwicht said, stated that one must query the breastplate of the high priest, which, according to tradition, changed color to indicate the justice of the cause, and have permission of the Sanhedrin.

Later commentators say that the first requirement exists only if there is a high priest, and if there is no Sanhedrin, as there has not been since the destruction of the second Temple, its authority in this matter reverts to the Jewish people as a whole.

Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik, and Rabbi Kook, the first Chief Rabbi of Israel, take this view.

A passage in the Gemara says that Jews may go to war even on Shabbat for even a small settlement on the border, because by guarding the country's borders, they may be saving the lives of many thousands of people further inland.

This could include fighting for Judea and Samaria, he said, because they act as a buffer to protect Israel proper.

Rose Wolfe to receive UJA award

Rose Wolfe

TORONTO —

Rose Wolfe, outstanding community leader who was recently named chancellor of the University of Toronto, will receive the Woman of Valor award from the Business and Professional Women's Network of Toronto United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus.

The annual event will be held on Nov. 4, at Beth Tikvah Congregation.

Dr. Janice Stein, professor of political science at U of T, will be the keynote speaker on the topic Playing for Peace: Global Strategies and the Middle East. Stein, specializing in Mid-East affairs, is an expert on international conflict management and resolution. She has appeared frequently as a television commentator.

The program co-chairmen are Susan Michaels and Grace Shafran.

Wolfe has served the Toronto Jewish community for over 40 years in fields as varied as education, culture, medicine and religion. She has been a vocal opponent of anti-Semitism. In 1978, she became the first woman president of the Toronto Jewish Congress.

She considers her recent appointment at U of T not only a great honor, but an indication of "openness and acceptance, not only for the Jewish community, but for all minorities."

Fourth presentation

This will be the fourth presentation of the Business and Professional Women's Network's Woman of Valor award. In previous years, it was presented to Susan Maddox, Gerda Stein Freiberg and Julia Koschitzky.

For further information, call Debbie Estrin, UJA senior staff associate, at 635-2883, ext. 191.

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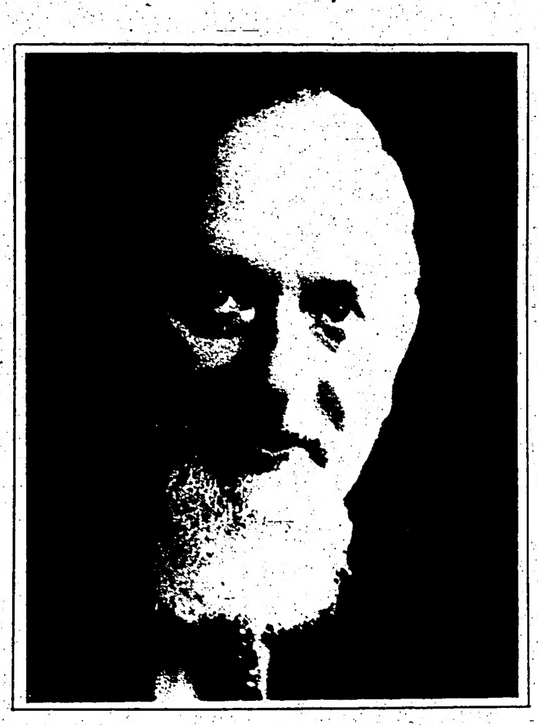

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Indoor tennis approved

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The board of directors of the Jewish Community Centre (JCC) voted last week by a 26-2 margin to approve terms of a contract that will see year-round tennis at the centre's north Y branch.

"It's a done deal," said Paul Brownstein, executive director of the north branch.

The vote approved terms of a contract with Neil Cohen & Associates, a private firm which has agreed to construct a tennis bubble on the west side of the JCC and run a tennis program there, Brownstein said.

Brownstein said he expected work will begin on the indoor tennis project within a matter of weeks. Outdoor tennis in the new site west of the swimming pool will be available in the spring, with the bubble dome expected to be ready by next fall, he added.

Annual meeting

The vote came following a two-hour meeting which included discussions about the centre's annual meeting on Nov. 27, Brownstein said. Unlike in past years, this year's meeting will see a contested election for 12 of the 73 board seats that are up for grabs. Usually, slates of unopposed candidates proposed by the centre's nominations committee are voted into office.

This time, an alternative slate of candidates is being offered by JCC members unhappy with the planned tennis project. Lawyer David Bierstone, a spokesman for the group, said he believes the current board is out of touch with the wishes of the membership.

On election day, JCC members over the age of 18 will be able to cast their ballots from 2 to 8 p.m. at election booths set up at the north Y branch. Brownstein said it is as yet unclear whether a similar arrangement will be in place at the Bloor Street branch.

Tennis enthusiasts will be able to practise their backhands all year at the JCC when the planned bubble is completed next fall.

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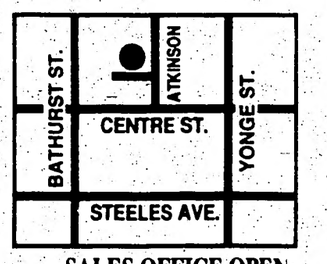

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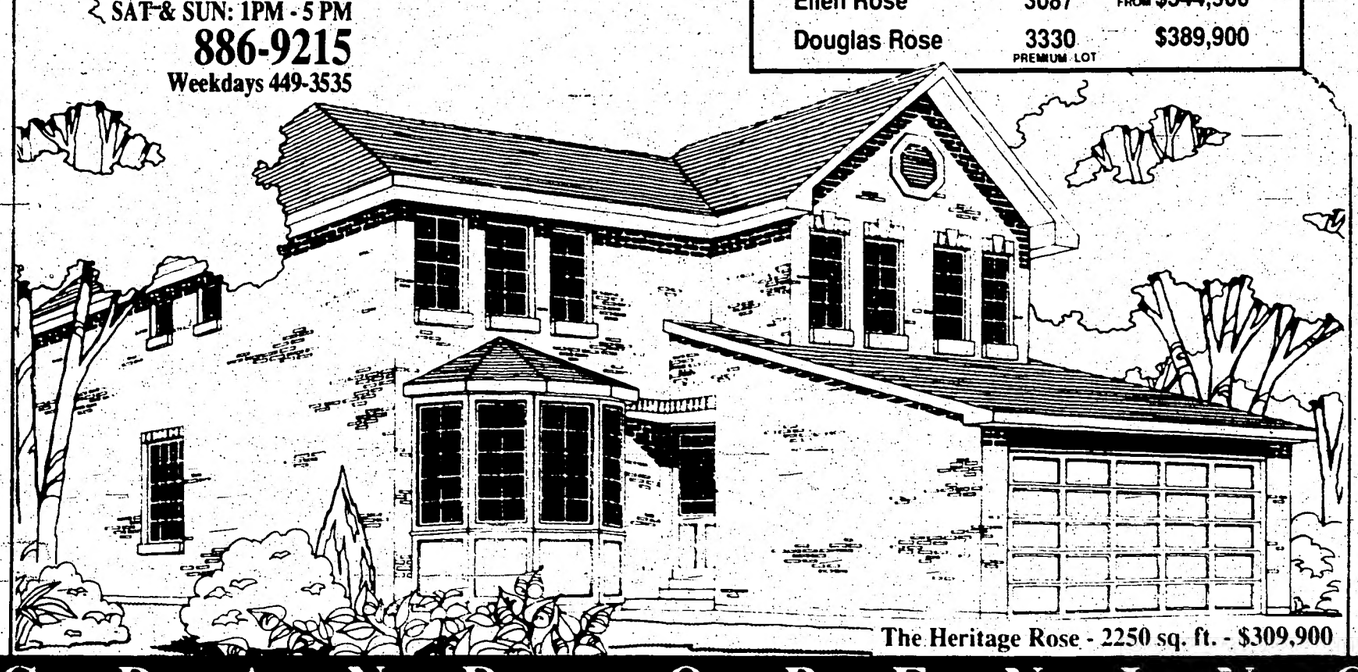

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GRAND OPENING

Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

Please note that the deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, Oct. 24, is deadline for Nov. 7 issue and Thursday, Oct. 31, is deadline for Nov. 14 issue).

Also, a reminder that I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail. The phone number is 422-2331.

Friday, Oct. 25

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

Author **Peter Newman** will be the guest speaker at the Friday, Oct. 25, meeting of Women's Canadian Club of Toronto. The meeting takes place at 2:30 p.m. in the Civic Ballroom of the Sheraton Centre Hotel, 123 Queen St. W.

Guest tickets are $8. Call the club office at 923-2900 for information.

MUSICAL HAPPY HOUR

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will appear at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd., in a happy musical hour on Friday, Oct. 25, from 2-3 p.m. The program will feature semi-classical and popular music.

Saturday, Oct. 26

RAMAH HAVDALAH

Camp Ramah staff and alumni — relive the Ramah experience! Come to a special Ramah Havdalah featuring the new and exciting Ramah video on Saturday, Oct. 26, at 8 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. Refreshments will be served.

If you have any questions, contact **Marjorie** at 789-2193.

Sunday, Oct. 27

NEW LEADERSHIP GALA DINNER

Toronto's New Leadership Division of State of Israel Bonds will be holding a gala Tribute Dinner on Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Inn on the Park. Cocktails will be served at 5:30 p.m., with dinner to follow at 6:30. After the meal, performers from the Toronto cast of *Les Miserables* will sing a selection of musical numbers.

Tickets are $200 ($75 deductible) and 100 seats have been set aside for single people.

The gala is a tribute to four Canadian businesspeople who have made ongoing contributions to the economic well-being of the State of Israel. The gala is the culmination of New Leadership's 1991 Israel Means Business campaign.

New Leadership is a grass-roots organization of 25-45-year-olds committed to the existence and development of Israel through the sale of Israel Bonds.

Black tie is optional. For tickets, call **Carolyn Hays** at 789-3351.

LECTURE ON NORTHROP FRYE

This year, **Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut** will lecture on Northrop Frye's *Great Code Deciphered*. He will discuss the late teacher's analysis of the Bible and the contoversial conclusions he drew from it. Frye was one of the great figures of 20th Century literary criticism and his books have been translated into more than 20 languages.

The lecture, which is open to all, takes place Sunday, Oct. 27, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (with coffee and lunch breaks). Those wishing to attend should call the University of Toronto's School for Continuing Studies at 978-2400 to ascertain place of lecture and to register in advance. There is a fee.

TORAH VIEWS ON MAGIC

Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill and B'nai Torah Congregation are presenting a lecture by **Rabbi Uziel Milevsky** entitled Things That Go Bump In The Night, dealing with Torah views on magic, the supernatural, witchcraft and the evil eye.

The lecture will be held at B'nai Torah, 465 Patricia Ave., on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 8:30 p.m. There is no admission charge and men and women are welcome.

JEWS AND POLAND

Rabbi Dow Marmur

Yiddish Culture Council of Toronto invites you to a lecture by **Rabbi Dow Marmur** of Holy Blossom Temple, on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 8:30 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. The rabbi will be speaking on Jews and Poland — Jews Without Poland.

CANADIAN YOUNG JUDAEA

Canadian Young Judaea's third annual National Camp Conference is being held Sunday, Oct. 27. Participating are Judaeans, camp directors, program directors and camp committee members from across Canada, who will have the responsibility of passing on the great tradition to the present day leaders.

Former Canadian Young Judaeans and other youth leaders are more than welcome to join in and participate in the discussions on Israel, camping and ongoing activities for Jewish youth in Canada.

For further information, contact the Canadian Young Judaea office at 781-5156.

CHILDREN'S CONCERT

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Young Families Group is presenting a children's concert featuring music by ZEMER on Sunday, Oct. 27, from 1-4 p.m. at the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd.

A charge of $3 per person includes refreshments and face painting, which begins at 1 p.m. and the concert at 2. Children! Bring your own instruments and noise makers.

CRAFT AND GIFT SHOW

Shaar Shalom Sisterhood is sponsoring a craft and gift show on Sunday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill (Don Mills and Steeles area).

Door prizes will be drawn all day and refreshments will be available.

PNAI MEETING

Parents of North American Israelis (PNAI) will be meeting on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 8 p.m. at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd. Guest speaker will be **Prof. David Goldberg**, national director, Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East. Visitors are welcome.

MAYORALTY CANDIDATE

On Sunday, Oct. 27, Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club wraps up its civic speaker series with mayoralty candidate **June Rowlands** who will speak on Creating a Safe and Affordable Toronto.

Services are at 9 a.m., breakfast at 9:30 at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St.

CONCERT FOR KIDS SERIES

The JCC Bloor Y Concert for Kids series (ages 2-8) gets off to a start on Sunday, Oct. 27, with **Laurence Gilman**, whose concerts are a mixture of old and new songs with lots of participation and fun not only for young people but their entire families.

There are two shows, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tickets are $6. Seating is limited, so call now. Phone orders can be done by VISA or MasterCard. Call 924-6211.

ONTARIO LUPUS ASSOCIATION

The Ontario Lupus Association general meeting and elections take place Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge St. (Bloor and Yonge). Doors open at 1:30 p.m., meeting starts at 2.

The guest speaker is **Dr. Murray Urowitz**, director, Lupus Clinic and Lupus Databank Project, Wellesley Hospital.

The meeting is open to the public and admission is free. For more information, call **Violet** at the Association office at 967-1414.

Monday, Oct. 28

GALILEE SOLOISTS

Please note a correction regarding the Oct. 3 item about the Galilee Solists, a chamber ensemble of 14 talented string musicians, recent immigrants to Israel from Russia. The phone number of the sponsoring organization, the Toronto chapter of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, is 921-2103.

As a reminder, this fundraising concert takes place at the Jane Mallett Theatre of the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts on Monday, Oct. 28.

THE SPIRITUALITY OF PARENTING

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am and Adath Israel Congregations joint adult education series on the theme The Jewish Family: An Endangered Species? continues on Monday, Oct. 28, at 8 p.m. when **Rabbi Philip Scheim** will discuss The Spirituality of Parenting.

The lecture will be held at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, 55 Yeomans Rd.

Following the lecture, at 9:15 p.m., the Joy of Singing will be presented with Hebrew, Yiddish and English folk and liturgical selections, led by **Cantor Moti Zingboim**.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of North Bathurst presents Nutrition and Weaning, the last in the series of four monthly meetings, on Monday, Oct. 28. Discussion will focus on starting solids, discipline, weaning and other issues.

Meetings are open to pregnant or nursing mothers who are interested in information, help and support for breastfeeding. Babies are welcome.

The time is 8 p.m. at 168 Brickstone Circle, Thornhill. For further information, phone **Ruth** at 736-1758 or **Joyce** at 881-8779 or **Robin** at 886-8364 or **Karen** at 221-7002.

MONDAY MAGIC

Come out to Monday MAGIC (Mothers Against Going Incredibly Crazy) and meet other mothers of young children. The group meets on Monday mornings at 9:30 at Beth Tzedec Congregation, 1700 Bathurst St. At the Oct. 28 meeting, **Bernie Farber** of Canadian Jewish Congress will be the guest speaker.

Babysitting is available. For information, call **Sharon** at 783-7726.

BRONZE BUST

A life size bronze bust of the late Prof. Alexander Klein, one of the earliest members of Technion's Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning, who designed many of its buildings, was donated to the Technion by Miriam Schneid-Ofseyer of Toronto. The bust is the work of the late Otto Schneid, internationally known artist and sculptor and member of Technion's Faculty of Architecture 1947-60. The bust will be placed in the building housing the Faculty of Architecture in Technion's Mount Carmel campus. Pictured are Miriam Schneid-Ofseyer and Dr. Ofseyer with the bust of Prof. Klein.

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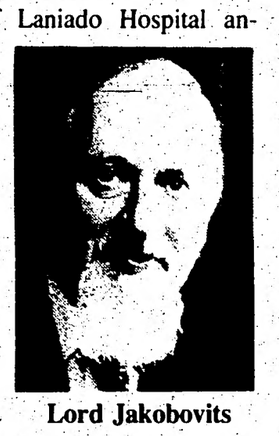

Lord Jakobovits

Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital announces that the inaugural Dr. Joseph Weil Memorial Lecture will be delivered by **Lord Immanual Jakobovits**, chief rabbi emeritus of the United Kingdom, on Monday, Oct. 28, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

The topic is The Gift of Life or Death? The Crossroads of Jewish Ethics and Modern Medicine. The public is invited to attend.

For more information, call **Ronitte Friedman** at 256-0800.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION WEEK

The 11th annual Holocaust Education Week, Oct. 29-Nov. 10, opens Tuesday, Oct. 29, with a lecture by **Prof. Christopher R. Browning**, historian, author and key witness at the Zundel trial, whose topic will be The Face of the Perpetrator: The Dynamics of a Killing Unit.

The lecture takes place at 8 p.m. at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), 252 Bloor St. W. For information, call 635-153.

KOSHER COOKING SCHOOL

The Kosher Cooking School, sponsored by the Kashruth Council of Toronto, begins its autumn 1991 courses with Series V12, Italian Cooking, on Tuesday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St.

The fee for this session is $15 per person. For information, call 635-9550.

MORNING STUDY GROUP

At its Oct. 29 meeting, the Tuesday morning study group at Holy Blossom Temple will focus on Religion/Secularism: Which is Alive; Which is Dead? with **Rabbi Michael Stroh** of Temple Har Zion.

The group meets from 9:45-11:30 a.m. Mature babysitting is available. For informataion, contact **Rhonda** at 663-3812.

PARENTS OF ASTHMATIC CHILDREN

Parents of Asthmatic Children of Southern Ontario is holding a general meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. at the Hugh MacMillan Rehabilitation Centre, 350 Rumsey Rd., library/seminar room, Room 216, third floor.

Guest speaker **Dr. Ken Chapman**, respirologist, head of the Asthma Centre, Toronto Hospital, will discuss Old Asthma, New Risks: Bronchodilators Re-examined.

New members are welcome. For further infor-

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BETH TORAH SISTERHOOD

Beth Torah Sisterhood recently installed a trio of co-presidents for the 1991-92 term. Guest speaker and installing officer was Norma Rubin, secretary-treasurer of Mercaz-Canada, the Zionist arm of Conservative Judaism. From left are Norma Rubin, and newly installed co-presidents Eila Kates, Renee Margolin and Eva Zimmerman. [Mollie Rothman photo].

Organizations and People

What's New

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mation, call **Elaine Rose** at 881-8416 or **Joan Naert** at 292-6335.

FASHION SHOW & BOUTIQUES

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Sisterhood is presenting its fall Fashion Show and Boutiques on Tuesday, Oct. 29, with fashions by Kathy MacFarlane's The Oyster of Burlington, and Vero Uoma Men's Wear, Toronto.

The boutiques open at 6:30 p.m. and showtime is 8 p.m. It all takes place at the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd. Admission is $15. There will be door prizes and special refreshments.

GALA CANTORIAL CONCERT

A gala cantorial concert, presented by the International Conference of Traditional Cantors, will feature **Cantors David Bagley** of Montreal, **Ben Zion Miller** of New York City, **Yaacov Motzen,** Montreal; **Pinchas Rabinowicz,** California, and **Moshe Stern,** Israel, accompanied by **Cantor Daniel Gildar** of Philadelphia.

Cantor Daniel Gildar

The date is Tuesday, Oct. 29, at 8:30 p.m. at Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. Ticket chairman is **Alex Eisen.**

Tickets are $500 benefactor (two numbered, full receipt and dinner Monday evening); $100 patron (two tickets reserved section, full receipt, front centre), $50 sponsor (two tickets reserved section, half receipt, centre), and $12.50 per person general admission (sides and balcony).

On Monday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m., there will be a full course dinner and cantorial entertainment. The charge is $40 per person (benefactors complimentary).

For reservations or information, call **Cantor Eliezer Kirshblum** at 635-5340.

Wednesday, Oct. 30

KOLLEL ESH DAT ANNUAL DINNER

The annual dinner of Kollel Esh Dat of Tel Aviv will take place Wednesday, Oct. 30, in the Silverstein Auditorium of Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz Synagogue, 147 Overbrook Pl., when several hundred people will gather to support the Kollel, a graduate school devoted to Talmudic studies combined with chassidic learning.

The dinner is in the form of An Evening of Tribute to **David Wiener** and **Michael Klein**. Guest artist will be **Cantor Moshe Ginz**. **Rabbi Moses Burak** is dinner chairman.

Cocktails are at 6 p.m., dinner at 7. Couvert is $35 per person. RSVP to 636-1945.

ACADEMY AWARD FILM

The 11th annual Holocaust Education Week of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, in conjunction with B'nai Shalom North Congregation, is presenting the Academy Award winning film, *Genocide*, on Wednesday, Oct. 30, at 8 p.m. at York Hill Public School, 350 Hilda Ave., Thornhill. A discussion will follow with **Sol Littman** of Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Centre.

This event is open to all and admission is free. For further information, call 731-2797.

HADASSAH-WIZO BAZAAR

The Toronto Hadassah-WIZO bazaar, billed as North America's biggest one-day extravaganza, is celebrating its 67th year on Wednesday, Oct. 30, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., at the Automotive Building, Exhibition Place. In recognition of this milestone event, **Mayor Art Eggleton** has proclaimed Oct. 30 as Hadassah-WIZO Day.

General admission is $4, and $2 for seniors and children 5-15 years of age when accompanied by an adult. Preschoolers are admitted free of charge. Ticket purchasers are eligible for fabulous prizes — 1st and 2nd prize-$5,200 Loblaws food vouchers, 3rd prize-Macintosh Classic Computer and Printer, and 4th prize-gold and diamond bracelet.

TRIPOLAR RIVALRY

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda adult education series on Looking Toward Tomorrow: The Jewish People and the Changing Pattern of World Power with lecturer/historian **Morton Manilla** continues on Wednesday, Oct. 30, with Tripolar Rivalry: The United States, Europe and Japan.

The time is 8 p.m. in the Arback Hall of the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday, Oct. 31

TORAH FOR TYCOONS

Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill announces the second meeting of Torah for Tycoons to be held at the offices of Doane, Raymond and Pannell, 40 Sheppard Ave. W. 8th floor, on Thursday, Oct. 31, at 12:30 p.m.

This luncheon will feature **Rabbi Uziel Milevsky**, dean of Ohr Somayach Thornhill, who will be speaking on Dinei Malchusa Dina — observing the laws of the government when they are in conflict with the laws of the Torah. It is open to both men and women.

Lunch may be reserved at a cost of $5 by contacting Ohr Somayach at 886-5730. One may feel free to bring his/her own lunch. Beverages will be served at no cost.

For further information, or to find out how to sponsor a lunch series featuring Rabbi Milevsky, call 886-5730. Torah for Tycoons meets on the last Thursday of the month.

LIBRARY FILMS

Forest Hill library, 700 Eglinton Ave. W., is presenting *Hollywood: The Selznick Years*, plus a second film to be announced, on Thursday, Oct. 31, at 1:30 p.m. Admission is free. For information, call 393-7706.

Phantom of the Opera (1943) is being screened at Wychwood Library, 1431 Bathurst St., on Thursday, Oct. 31, at 6:30 p.m. For information, call 393-7683.

And What Else Is New...

ON MORAL HEROISM

On Moral Heroism is the title of York University's 1991 Harry Crowe Memorial Lecture Series running Oct. 27-29 with **Steven T. Katz**, professor of Near East studies, Cornell University, editor of the journal *Modern Judaism* and an eminent authority in the field of Jewish studies.

Taking the theme of non-Jews helping Jews even at the risk of endangering their own lives, Katz's lectures include The Holocaust: The Tragic Context on Oct. 27; Case Studies of Heroism: The Courage and Morality of Rescuers on Oct. 28; and From the Particular to the General: Philosophical, Ethical and Phenomenological Reflections on Moral Herosim on Oct. 29.

The annual Harry Crowe Memorial Lecture is held in honor of the late **Harry Crowe**, a noted history professor, humanitarian and dean of York's Atkinson College.

All lectures are from 4-6 p.m. in the Moot Court at Osgoode Hall Law School at 4700 Keele St. Admission is free and the public is welcome.

SHAAREH HAIM HAPPENINGS

Shaareh Haim Synagogue, 9711 Bayview Ave., Richmond Hill, is offering several interesting programs:

Joys of Being Jewish is an adult education program consisting of seven mini-courses with **Rabbi Lawrence Troster** on Monday evenings from 8-9:30 at the synagogue. Register for one or more course — The Holy Days of Our Year, running until Nov. 11; The Great Jewish Books , Nov. 25-Dec. 9; The Cycle of Our Life, Jan. 13-27; The Holiness of Eating, Feb. 3-17; Understanding Conservative Judaism, Feb. 24-March 16; Preparing for Pesach, March 23-30; and Jewish History Made Easy, April 27-May 11.

Other programs include adult bar/bat mitzvah classes with **Marden Paul** on Tuesdays at 8 p.m.; Mystical Mastery Tour, also with **Marden Paul**, for graduates of the adult bar/bat mitzvah course (but open to others as well) on Wednesday evenings from 8-10; Sunday breakfast program on Oct. 27 entitled Jewish Child-Raising Practices, the second of a two-part program on Raising a Jewish Child with speakers from Jewish Family & Child Service (services at 9 a.m., followed by breakfast, $3 charge includes breakfast), and a Holocaust Education Week program with **Prof. Morton Manilla** speaking on Anti-Semitism After the Holocaust, on Thursday, Oct. 31, at 8 p.m. (everyone welcome).

For details regarding registration and fee structure of all programs, call **Helene Rudolph**, executive director, at 884-3353.

BAYCREST SUPPORT GROUPS

Families faced with the challenge of caring for someone with cognitive impairment due to stroke, Parkinson's or Alzheimer's disease are welcome to attend a series of education and support sessions at Baycrest Centre, to be held each Tuesday from Nov. 5-Dec. 19 in the Day Care Unit of the Jewish Home for the Aged, 3560 Bathurst St.

Dr. Guy Proulx, director of Baycrest's psychology department and an expert in cognitive rehabilitation, will provide practical advice on how to understand and manage an impaired relative. Members of Baycrest's social work staff will also offer information and counselling.

There will be a nominal fee of $15 per family for Dr. Proulx's lectures, and a further $15 per family for sessions with the social work staff. For information, call **Sheila Smyth** at 789-5131, ext. 2250.

YIDDISH CONVERSATION

Yiddish Conversation (beginners) is being offered at Rockford Public School, 60 Rockford Rd. (Bathurst and Steeles). Learn Yiddish with **Zelda Eisen**—it promises to be fun and stimulating.

Registration will take place at the first class, Wednesday, Oct. 30 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. The cost for the eight classes is $20, free for seniors. For information on this and other Yiddish classes, call **Bonnie Kates** at 635-2883.

SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON

Beth Tzedec Study Luncheon on Nov. 9 features guest speaker **Justice Abraham Lieff** who will discuss A Judge's Memoirs.

The luncheon takes place at noon following services. Reservations (paid) should be made no later than Tuesday, Nov. 5. Unpaid reservations cannot be accommodated. Call the synagogue office at 781-3511.

CARE AND CONNECT

Care and connect! Touch the life of another! Volunteer for Chaplaincy Services at Jewish Family & Child Service as a visitor for Jewish residents in nursing homes or as a visitor for Jewish patients in hospitals.

Discover how helping others makes a difference. Call **Toby Maskowitz** at JF & CS at 638-7800, ext. 287.

MOMS & TOTS DROP-IN

Earl Bales Tiny Tots, located in Earl Bales Park and sponsored by North York Parks and Recreation Department, invites you to join the Moms and Tots Drop-In on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Children, 15 months to 2½ years, can enjoy circle time, crafts, outdoor play and nutritious snack. Call **Margie** at 398-3678 for information.

ENTERTAINMENT '92

Entertainment '92, a book of great savings, sold by Tourette Syndrome Foundation, has 50 percent off coupons for dining, fast food, theatre, sports, travel, special events in Toronto and Southern Ontario. Also, discounts are available for condos and hotels in Florida, California and other hot spots in the United States and Canada. You can even save on dry cleaning and movie rentals.

The cost of the book is $42 and proceeds go towards fundraising for Tourette Syndrome Foundation support and genetic research. Tourette Syndrome is a neurological disorder that is characterized by involuntary tics. Call **Jonathan Shields** at 638-0502 for your book.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

North York Mayor **Mel Lastman** has proclaimed October as Child Abuse Prevention Month in the community, as part of the nationwide effort initiated by the IOF Foresters to reduce child abuse. This year's theme is Family Stress.

The child abuse co-ordinating committee of North York Inter-Agency and Community Council (NYIACC) has co-ordinated a variety of public awareness displays at North York libraries and community centres. The Board of Education is also hosting a display in its lobby. As well, on Friday, Oct. 25, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, this committee is making a presentation on Family

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PINE VILLA CONCERT

From left are Flora Litvak, a prominent resident of the City of York, who helped organize a recent concert of 24 Israeli students at Pine Villa, a senior citizen building; Toby Ferber, 84-year-old resident of Pine Villa; Nechama Talpaz, the Israeli teacher and chaperone of the students who visited Canada for two weeks; City of York alderman Ben Nobleman of Ward 1, where Pine Villa is located, and one of the Israeli students who performed at the concert.

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Stress and services available in North York (for more information, contact NYIACC at 226-5505).

WANTED — SOMEONE TO HUG & BUG

Someone to hug. Someone to bug. When you're part of a family you take it all for granted. But some kids have nobody! If you become a foster parent, one more child in the world will have someone to hug. And you will have one of the most rewarding experiences you can share with another human being.

Call **Shirley Feld** at Jewish Family & Child Service at 638-7800 and find out how you can be a foster parent. There's a child who needs you...now!

PROFESSIONALIZE YOURSELF

Give your professional act a lift. Professionalize Yourself at the Leah Posluns Theatre School, 4588 Bathurst St. This unique course draws on acting techniques to improve presentation and communication skills. Specially designed workshops are available.

The fall course begins Oct. 28. Classes are held weekly, on Monday evenings from 7-10. Interviews are now being booked. Call 636-2720 for an interview appointment.

JEWISH VEGETARIANS CONVENTION

Jewish Vegetarians of North America's 1991 convention is being held Nov. 15-17 at the Bethesda, Md., Holiday Inn.

Along with discussions, cooking demonstrations, consumer information, guest lecturers and more, the weekend will include traditional Shabbat services and an Oneg Shabbat. All meals will be strictly vegetarian and under rabbinical supervision.

For registration forms and further information, contact conference co-ordinators **Israel and Eve Mossman**, 6938 Reliance Rd., Federalsburg, Md., 21632. The phone number is (301) 754-5550.

BAYCREST SYNAGOGUE SERVICES

Baycrest Terrace Synagogue, 55 Ameer Ave., holds Shacharit services weekdays at 8:30 a.m. and also Mincha-Maariv (for times call **David** at 256-1600). Everyone is welcome.

For further information, call the above number.

VILLAGE SHUL EVENTS

Renowned and talented storyteller **Hannoch Teller** will be at Village Shul, 884 Eglinton Ave. W., Oct.31-Nov. 2, entertaining with some wonderful stories and words of wisdom.

On Thursday, Oct. 31, at 8 p.m. his topic will be Sometimes Truth is Stranger Than Fiction. Tickets are $8 and can be purchased at the door. For more information, call **Ruth Hart** at 781-5573.

On Friday, Nov. 1, if you missed the first Shabbat dinner, then here's another chance. With Teller as featured guest, it's sure to be an evening filled with stories that the whole family can enjoy. For more information, call Ruth Hart at above number.

On Saturday, Nov. 2, the fun continues as Teller will be at morning services and his stories will be a focus at the alternative minyan which begins at 10 a.m. In the evening, there will be a melava malka after the conclusion of the Shabbat. Drop by and catch the action — music, nosh and another chance to meet Hannoch Teller.

If you have any further questions about the Village Shul or about these upcoming events, call **Vicky Weiss** at 789-0374.

MONTE CARLO FUNDRAISER

Richmond Hill Country Club is holding a fundraising event on Saturday, Nov. 2, at 6 p.m. with all proceeds going to the Adam Balinsky Fund at the Hospital for Sick Children. It's A Knight in Monte Carlo, the country club's second annual fundraising Monte Carlo and auction.

Tickets are $25 which includes GST, admission, draw ticket, $5 worth of gambling chips and dessert at the Food Court. For tickets, call **Rose Shapiro** at 731-2800. Persons must be 18 years of age or older to attend.

JEWISH FAMILY LIFE WORKSHOPS

Jewish Family & Child Service is offering the following Jewish Family Life Workshops this fall:

Losing a Parent as an Adult — The impact of losing a parent can be devastating. By exploring the grief process, participants will move from feeling like an orphan to acceptance and growth (starting Oct. 31).

You and Your Adopted Child — A group to discuss the joys and challenges of parenting adopted children — expectations, discipline, the extended family and special concerns (to begin Nov. 7 for six weeks).

Parenting: Our Challenge in the '90s — Call for information on groups for Parenting Teens, Parenting the Preschooler — Preventative Medicine, Stepparenting — The Joys and the Challenges, Parenting Adopted Children, The Older Parent.

For further information, call **Pat Lieberman** at 638-7800, ext. 215.

HUNGARIAN JEWISH HOSPITAL

You are invited to a Sweet Table Dessert Dance in aid of the Hungarian Jewish Hospital Fund, a project of B'nai Brith of Canada, on Saturday, Nov. 23, from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W.

The hospital, located in Budapest, cares for Holocaust survivors living in poverty and isolation and serves the chronically ill as well as outpatients, providing medical care and kosher meals on wheels.

All costs of this event will be donated by Frank's Swim School and all other donations will go directly to the Hungarian Jewish Hospital Fund of B'nai Brith Canada. Door prizes include a return flight for two to Budapest, a set of luggage, and an original miniature painting by **Harriet Liebmann**.

For ticket information, contact **Frank Liebmann** at 222-7292.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE BOOK SALE

Come to the University College book sale on the University of Toronto campus and browse among thousands of new and used books at bargain prices. It runs Oct. 26, 28, 29, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closing Oct. 30 at 3 p.m.

This annual sale has books on just about every topic under the sun, from academic works to popular novels, from cookbooks to computer manuals, from children's books to mysteries. Of special interest is the collection of rare books. These make distinctive Chanukah gifts for your discerning friends.

University College is located at 15 King's College Circle, U of T. All proceeds will go to the college. For further information, you can call the alumni office at 978-2968.

at the JCC

Sundays at Bloor are looking good! Relax, have a coffee, enjoy the variety of programs that range from the entertaining to the intellectual. A concert is planned on Nov. 3 from 2-4 p.m. at the JCC Bloor Y branch, 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor), featuring **Allan Merovitz**, of the flying Bulgar Klezmer Trio. Tickets are $6. For more information, call **Luni** at 924-6211.

Bloor Y Twentysomething invites you to join in brunch and a visit to the Royal Ontario Museum on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 11:30 a.m. Meet in the Bloor Y lounge. Cost is $20. Reservations and payment must be made by Wednesday, Nov. 6. Call **Luni** at 924-6211 for more information.

The JCC has arranged a three-week trip to Israel Nov. 13-Dec. 4. The cost is $3296 Canadian. Call **Teme Kernerman** at the North Y branch at 636-1880 for details.

The all-inclusive Miami trip to the Sansouci Hotel Jan. 1-23 includes one free night. Also, additional weeks are possible. Contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880.

The JCC North/East Valley branch, 7015 Leslie St., offers adult duplicate bridge for members every Monday evening from 7:30-11. The cost is $3 per session. For more information, call **Nurit** at 889-0813.

A fitness program, a low impact aerobics class for women, is held at the JCC Valley on Tuesday and Friday mornings from 9:20-10:20. Cost is $5 per class, $45 for 10 weeks one class per week, or $85 for 10 weeks, two classes per week. Call **Nurit** at above number for information.

A singles Financial Management lecture is taking place Thursday, Oct. 24, at 8 p.m. at the Valley.

The Fall Fantasia Dance is being held Sunday, Nov. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Valley. The charge is $8 and includes deejay, light refreshments and cash bar.

Singles Connection invites you to walk through Sunnybrook Park on Sundays. Come to the main entrance on the Inn on the Park at 11 a.m. and ask for **Marlene**. For information, call **Nurit** at 889-0813.

Call the JCC Singles Hotline at 889-5101 for 24-hour taped information of events at the JCC and around the city.

for seniors

Earl Bales Seniors Club upcoming events include a dance on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 7-10 in the club house (members free, non-members $1); Sunday dance with live band on Oct. 27, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. ($3 members, $4 non-members); bus run to Aylmer, Ont., for members on Wednesday, Nov. 27, with visit to Pine Craft Potteries, craft and pottery demonstrations and light lunch ($15)...Ongoing activities continue. Also, anyone interested in Mah Jong or in volunteering to look after this activitiy is asked to call the club office at 636-7856.

Good Age Club of the Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y branch, 750 Spadina Ave., invites you to join in a singalong with **Cantor Albert Feldman** on Thursday, Oct. 24, at 2 p.m...Together with the Toronto Board of Education Continuing Education, the club offers knitting, bridge, fitness, current events, folkdancing, ceramics. Programs run Monday-Thursday. For schedule, call **Luni** at 924-6211.

Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Group, 55 years of age and over, meets every other Sunday to help each other deal with mourning and adjust to loss. The meetings provide a supportive environment where group members can share experiences and make new friends. The next meeting is on Oct. 27, from 1-2:30 p.m. in the library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. Group co-ordinator is **Toby Warsh**. For information, contact **Paula David** at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave., reports that a few seats are still available for the outstanding trip to Israel Nov. 13-Dec. 4 which includes two meals daily, 5-star hotels, all taxes, multi-media programs, folklore evenings, health event at the Dead Sea, pick up to airport and return to your home and more...Ongoing programs offered in conjunction with the North York Board of Education are dancersize, Tai Chi, line dancing, plus Coping with Life with **Harriet Sharkey**. For information on the trip and all activities, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923...Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital and Orphanage in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

LZA Seniors Club is taking registration for the Miami trips of five, seven, nine weeks and three months on Wednesday mornings from 10 to noon at the Borochov Cultural Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. For details, call **Libby Ravka** at 782-2059 or **Belle Naiman** at 633-5841...The Dance Group is held every Tuesday from 1-2 p.m. at the centre. The Discussion Group meets Tuesday mornings at 10.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. — The Multi-Media Crafts series continues on Monday, Oct. 28, from 1-2:30 p.m. with Femo Jewelry — Make fun jewelry with femo plastic...The Women's Lecture Series on Wednesday, Oct. 30, features Wagman Centre social worker **Paula David** in a talk on Home Alone — After Your Spouse Dies. The time is 1:30-2:30 p.m...A social afternoon is planned for Sunday, Oct. 27 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in the common room...The Tuesday evening program on Oct. 29 presents concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** and singer **Lillian Keltz** at 7:30 p.m. in the assembly room.

A reminder about the special workshop on Financial Planning After 60 sponsored by **Senior Adult Services** of the JCC North Y branch, 4588 Bathurst St., on Friday, Nov. 8, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Presenters are financial planners **Warren MacKenzie** and **Graham Byron**. A bagel brunch will be served. There is no charge but registration is limited to 20 people. Call **Teme**

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HONORS FOR GROBIN

The 15th World Congress of the Israel Medical Association to be held in Jerusalem early November, will pay special tribute to Baycrest's diabetic researcher Dr. Wulf Grobin for his dedication to building bridges between Canadian and Israeli physicians. He was one of the founders of the Canadian chapter of IMA. Seen above with Dr. Grobin (centre) is Canadian Chapter president Dr. Roger Goldstein and Congress co-ordinator Carol Epsetin. [Ben Lechtman photo].

SPORTSMEN LODGE

Larry Levy (centre) was installed as president of Sportsmen Lodge, B'nai Brith, for a second term for 1991-92 with his vice-presidents Allen Feig (left) and Lou Sher (right) at a recent dinner meeting. Murray Ehrlick, past president of B'nai Brith Canada, vice-president of International B'nai Brith, was the installing officer. Present at the dinner was Carl Keyfetz, honorary life president of Sportsmen Lodge.

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or **Bonnie** at 636-1880 to reserve your place.

Canadian Israeli Club Aluma, for Israelis and Hebrew-speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. On Oct. 30, the movie, *Scenes From a Mall*, with **Woody Allen** and **Bette Midler** will be screened. For information, call **Avner Meir** at 663-1443 or **Oved Azuri** at 631-9794 or **Shelley Dunkelman** at the Wagman Centre at 789-5131, ext. 2273.

Sunshine Seniors 55 Plus invite you for another fun-filled winter holiday in North Miami Beach for four, six or eight weeks at the Colonial Inn. For details, phone **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

George Brown College Seniors' Program is sponsoring a course entitled Heartsaver Plus. It will be held on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 4 and 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Casa Loma campus, 143 Kendal Ave., Room E101. The fee is $12 for seniors. For registration information, call the seniors' office at 944-4526.

North York Community House and North York Board of Education present current events discussions for seniors with **Douglas Haddow** every Thursday, from 10 a.m. to noon at the North York Community House, 3101 Bathurst St. For information, call 784-0920.

Club Chaverim will be meeting for cards and bingo on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 30, at the JCC North/East Valley branch, 7015 Leslie St. For information, contact **Nurit** at 889-0813.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The second Intergenerational Conference on Aging and Elder Abuse, entitled Pride and Prejudice: Views on Growing Older, takes place Friday, Nov. 1, from 8:45 a.m. to 3:14 p.m. Keynote address will be given by **Blossom Wigdor**, chairman, National Advisory Council on Aging, followed by morning and afternoon workshops. Registration is necessary. The fee is $7 seniors and students, $20 others. For information, call **Sheila Zane** at 225-2112. This is sponsored by Awareness Project on Abuse of the Elderly, Bernard Betel Centre, and Vanier College, York University.

La'Briyut Wellness Centre is presenting a health lecture on Safety in the Home, led by seniors from Senior Care, on Thursday, Oct. 31, at 1:30 p.m.

A public affairs forum on Canadian Unity — Can It Survive? is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 1:30 p.m. Panelists will be **Peter Silverman**, ombudsman, CITY TV; **Frank Shostack** of the Reform Party, and others to be announced. Following the panel discussion there will be an all candidates (Ward 7) meeting. There is no charge and refreshments will be served.

Friendship Centre, for people 55 and over and single, meets at the centre every other Thursday at 7 p.m. Meetings are for members only. A sixth anniversary party is planned for Oct. 31 at 7 p.m. with full course dinner and entertainment featuring **Effi Zohar**. The charge is $8.

The Miami trips offer the choice of three hotels — the Sasson Hotel (starting at $1855); the Shore Club Hotel ($2900) and the Tarleton Hotel ($2900). Call **Barbara Zigler**, co-ordinator of specialized programs, for complete details.

The movie, *The Color Purple*, will be screened on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 2:30 p.m. No charge for members, $1 non-members.

The Wednesday social on Oct. 30 features a musical afternoon with **Arnie Wiskin**, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served after the entertainment. Admission is $2.50 members, $3.50 non-members.

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1991 NATE CONFERENCE

Marlene Myerson (Temple Emanu-El), **Steve Garten** (Leo Baeck), **Karen Goodis** (Temple Har Zion), **Arlyne Botnick** (Solel Congregation), **Bambi Collins** (Holy Blossom), **Ira Schweitzer** (Temple Sinai), **Bob Tornberg** (Holy Blossom), **Danny Gottlieb** (Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations), **Yael Seliger** (Board of Jewish Education) and **Nancy Weschler** (Temple Kol Ami) together with Reform educators from all over the North American continent will be attending the National Association of Temple Educators' (NATE) conference Oct. 31-Nov. 4 in Baltimore, Md. This is the first time in NATE's history that the conference is running concurrently with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations biennial convention. The conference theme is Portraits in Learning.

NATE is the professional organization of over 750 men and women from Canada, England, Israel, Australia and the United States who are the educators, principals, rabbis and cantors responsible for providing the leadership in religious education for congregations and institutions affiliated with UAHC.

GENERAL STUDIES PRINCIPAL

Yeshivat Bnei Akiva Or Chaim-Ulpanat Orot Girls' School are pleased to announce the appointment of **Norman Smith** as general studies principal.

Norman Smith

Smith has extensive experience and has served as a principal for the past 10 years, most recently in Silver Springs, Md. He holds a doctorate in education from the College of William and Mary, a masters in English, and is a graduate of Yeshiva University.

Smith and his wife **Miriam** have two children, **Aryeh** and **Zev.**

HEBREW U HONORARY FELLOWSHIP

Naomi Frankenburg of Vancouver, immediate national past-president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, will be presented with an honorary fellowship by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem this coming December in Tel Aviv during the international WIZO convention.

Frankenburg, a member of the board of Vancouver chapter of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, is being recognized for her outstanding service to Canadian Jewry, Israel, and in particular, Canadian Hadassah-WIZO.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of The Canadian Jewish News. ***Deadline is Monday, 5:00 p.m., 10 days preceding issue date.*** *For rates or to place an ad, please call Alan at 422-2528.*

Spooky Halloween Bash. (When): Sunday, October 27th, 8:00pm. (Where): At The Bottom Line, 17A Yorkville Avenue (Just West of Yonge, north of Bloor). $10.00 without costume, $8.00 with. Doorprizes all night long for best costumes. 635-0308. 7025

Atideynu Lodge presents a night of **Halloween Fun**. Costumes a must. Bring your own beverage. Bring a friend. October 26th, 1991. 8:30pm. 24 Gossamer Avenue (1 block west of Bayview, south of Steeles). Contact Shari, 222-0272. 7295

A Touch of Class (30-55 Jewish Professional Singles) presents a live dance with Israeli singer and entertainer **Effi Zohar** on Saturday, October 26th, 8:00pm, in the party room of The Landmark. Refreshments, snacks. Cost $17.00. To reserve call Sonia at 771-8448. 7033

La Party... La biggest for La singles. Wednesday, October 30th, 8:00pm. The Club Bluenote, 128 Pears Avenue. Incredible live entertainment. Cover.. $10.00. La Usher-Kerbel-Goodman Production. 7076

Awesome Party!!!

DJ's presents A Halloween Bash, of monstrous proportion for Dynamic Jewish singles in their 20's. Tuesday, October 29th, 8:00pm. Rock'n Diner. 900 Don Mills (between Eglinton and Lawrence). $9.00 at the door. Prizes awarded for best costumes. And you thought last years was good!!! 7337

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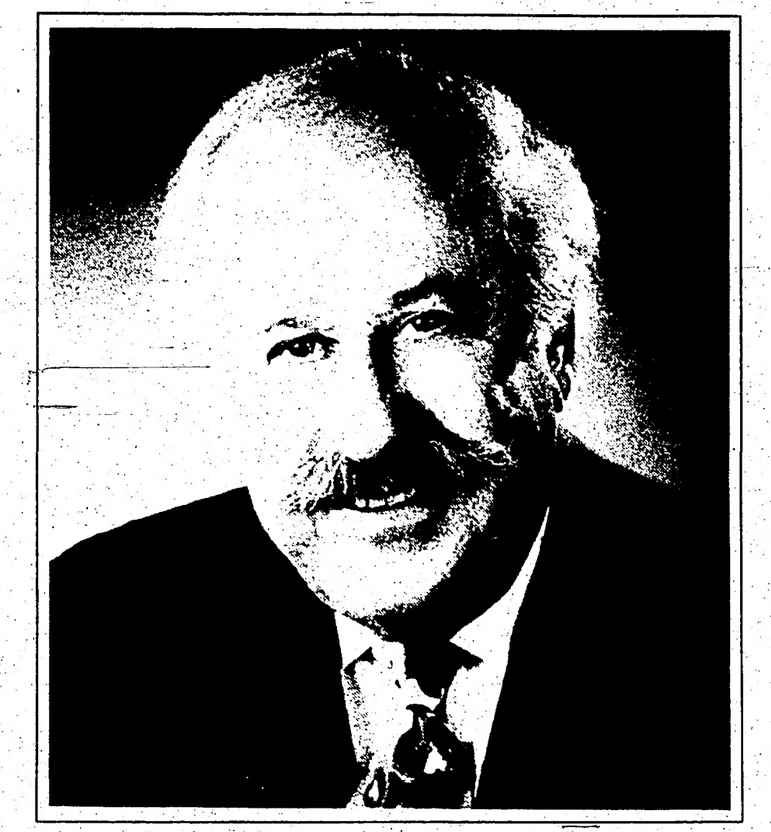

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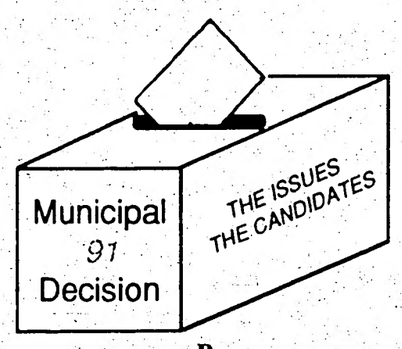
Gardner runs for Metro seat on strength of political record



By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Norm Gardner, one of Metro's most durable politicians, is running for re-election in the Nov. 12 municipal vote mainly on his record.

It's a record, going back to 1976, that he says he's "very proud" of.

The self-described pragmatist will square off against Jeffrey Smith for the Metro seat of North York Centre, which takes in North York municipal wards 9 and 11.

The Metro ward is bounded by Bathurst Street east to Bayview Avenue and from the 401 north to Steeles Avenue. It has one of the highest concentrations of Jews in Metro and a sizeable proportion of Soviet emigres.

Long a mainstay on the North York political scene, Gardner was elected to Metro Council in 1988 by acclamation. Since then, he's held a variety of posts, including the vice-chairmanship of the Metro Toronto Board of Commissioners of Police and as a member of Metro's works, economic development and planning committees. In '89, he was elected by his fellow councillors to serve on Metro Council's executive committee (now called the management committee).

Gardner, 53, sees transit, security and taxes as the main issues in this election.

"People can't pinpoint too many things at the local level, but there's a general feeling of being overtaxed," he told *The CJN*.

Between 25 and 30 percent of the ward's residents are tenants and there is a high concentration of senior citizens, making rent and seniors' concerns priorities for him.

Norman Gardner

Concerns also zero in on rising crime, traffic and the TTC — generally those areas under Metro's jurisdiction, Gardner added.

"People are bitter about the TTC. And I've heard a lot of complaints about social services. People don't want to see new programs. There's a perception out there of waste and too much government."

The incumbent says Metro has a garbage crisis on its hands.

Gardner endorsed the idea of shipping Metro's waste to Kirkland Lake, which wanted to establish a dump site.

But earlier this year, Ontario's NDP government killed the plan, preferring instead to enlarge the Keele Valley dump in York Region, which is rapidly filling up.

Gardner is particularly proud of his work with the police.

He's led a number of outreach programs between the force and visible minorities and he served on the Task Force on Public Violence Against Women, for which he received a civilian citation.

Gardner began public service in 1976, when he was elected councillor in North York's Ward 9. He was re-elected councillor in 1978. Two years later, he was elected to North York's board of control and was elected North York's controller in 1985.

He tallies a long list of involvement in the Jewish community.

A black belt in judo, he was an instructor in that martial art at the Bloor Street JCC and went on to compete successfully. He spent 10 years in the Canadian Army militia and is an active member of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada (Toronto Post) and of the General Wingate branch of the Canadian Legion.

A long-time member of B'nai Brith Canada's Leonard Mayzel Ontario Lodge, Gardner is also active in the political liaison committee at Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region.

He's been Metro's representative to the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care and currently sits on the board of Branson Hospital. Gardner has also raised funds for the United Jewish Appeal.

Nobleman seeking re-election

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Mendelson also expresses concern for the environment. She says garbage pick-up in the strips of land behind businesses, particularly restaurants, on Eglinton Avenue is not up to par.

Another concern for her is city spending. "There have been many frivolous expenses made for politically motivated reasons. Let's make sure funds are well spent."

A tenant, Nobleman sees himself as a conciliator between landlords and tenants. "I have gone to rent reviews on behalf of many tenants," he noted. Nobleman convinced the city to increase fines for landlords who are found not heating their buildings efficiently, and has improved lighting in underground garages. He has supported snow removal motions in Ward 1, which has four senior citizen buildings.

In 1983, Nobleman got council to pass a motion forcing Bell Canada to ban a pro-Nazi telephone recording.

Also running in Ward 1 is Margarette Kaszecki-Pyron.

Jewish candidate Sam Wales is running for public school trustee in Ward 3.

Anti-Semitism thriving, says Bauer

TORONTO —

"Anti-Semitism is alive and well and our grandchildren will still have to fight it," Prof. Yehuda Bauer said here recently.

"It is not a hopeless struggle and there is no certainty of winning, but there is a chance," he said. "The victory won't come now, it will take time."

It is necessary for Jews to fight for a pluralistic society and to enlist the Christian Church and other groups in the battle for pluralism because pluralism undercuts anti-Semitism, he said.

Bauer, chairman of the department of Holocaust studies, Hebrew University, spoke under auspices of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University at Beth Tikvah.

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Senior citizens prove they're never too old to learn

By
JACK KOHANE

TORONTO —

One is never too old to learn, as the saying goes. At the Department for Jewish Living of the Holy Blossom Temple, this philosophy is taken literally.

Meeting at noon on alternate Wednesdays, the program entitled Lunch and Learn in Retirement provides senior citizens the opportunity to listen to topics of interest provided by guest speakers.

Although the program is primarily geared towards seniors, people of all ages are invited to take part and to sample the coffee, tea or cookies that are provided. Most attendees are advised to bring their own lunches, enhancing the relaxed atmosphere of the proceedings.

Evelyn Shulman is one of the founders of Lunch and Learn and is its current chairman.

"The concept really began two years ago," she says. "At that time there was only a handful of people in our audience. Today we attract between 40 and 50 folks."

Shulman adds that today's seniors want to continue to expand their social network and to further promote their intellectual growth. However, many seniors may not be able to attend such events in the evening. This program addresses all those concerns and makes a true learning experience more accessible to those who want it.

Asked what she has found most satisfying about Lunch and Learn in Retirement, Shulman replies that the many lasting friendships that have resulted over the years through such gatherings is most gratifying to see and be a part of.

Upcoming lectures include: Dr. Tifra Warner, a developmental and clinical psychologist, discussing Relationships and Friendships — For Your Good Health (Oct. 23); Karen Shopsowitz will chat about A Nostalgic Look at Yesteryear — Revisit Monteith Inn Through the Eyes of a Granddaughter (Nov. 6).

Also, Dr. Aaron M. Nussbaum, the director of education at United Synagogue Day School of Toronto will look back on 500 Years Since the Discovery of America by Columbus and the Expulsion of the Jews From Spain (Nov. 20).

Well-known lecturer and educator Selma Sage presents a topic with an intriguing title: Love in Biblical Times — What Your Rabbi Never Told You, scheduled for Dec. 4.

The program's approach and appeal has become a model for other institutions and agencies working with the elderly across Canada. That is the ultimate testimony to its success.

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TRAVEL TALK

By
LEN BUTCHER

It's Sunday and here I am sitting in my matchbox-sized office wondering what I'm going to write about. I know, I know. I should have done this Friday, but it's hard to concentrate when **Ghengis Khan Rucker** keeps stomping around on her crutches.

I thought men were babies when they were hurting, but **GK** gives them a run for their money. And what's worse, she uses this sprained ankle as an excuse to stay in her office which means she summons you to her inner sanctum when she feels it's time to impart some words of wisdom.

Unfortunately, I don't think she ever learned to use the intercom on our phone system, or maybe she just likes to scream. Anyway, about every five minutes, it seems, there's a loud bellow that washes over the newsroom like some giant tidal wave and the words, "**Butcher Man,** can I see you in my office?"

I could say what I'm thinking, but someone might interpret it as sexual harassment in an unflattering form, so I answer the call, albeit with several minutes delay just to see the veins pop out in her temples. I try to explain that as managing editor I am very busy and when I have a few minutes peace I like get this column done.

What's wrong with Sunday? she asks. And now you wonder why I call her **Genghis Kahn?** Not only is she a tyrant, but she's obviously a few notes short on the scale. Who would come in on a Sunday, after working Monday to Friday, to write a column that only my mother reads?

Okay, it's three o'clock Sunday afternoon and I've been here for two hours. I've got this much of the column done. It's not finished because I got sidetracked with other things. And now I must leave. Post time for the **Rothman's International** at **Woodbine Race Track** is 4:30, so for now, I'm going to forget about the deadline and worry about the finish line. Wish me luck.

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I'm back and with a smile on my face and a few extra shekels in my pocket thanks to a four-legged animal by the name of **Sky Classic.**

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Soviet Jew heads to Israel's waters

JERUSALEM—

In his native Russia, 28-year-old Michael Kreimin worked as a biochemist, but his real passion was sailing. "There is a boat called a cataraft, which we used to row down the Katun and Chuya Rivers," he says nostalgically.

The cataraft, an inflatable craft more reminiscent of a double kayak than a catamaran, but with the stability of a raft, is also used as a pleasure boat in Russia. Food and supplies are loaded in the middle, and vacationers paddle down the river for a week at a time, camping on the shore.

A year and a half ago Kreimin immigrated to Israel. "What I missed most about Russia was catarafting," he admits. "I just couldn't live without it." After finishing a six-month Hebrew course, Kreimin enrolled in a business administration course. Then, combining his business training with his love of sailing, he arranged to import catarafts to Israel. An organization that helps new immigrants acquire loans provided funding for the project and new Israeli friends helped him navigate his way through the bureaucracy.

Kreimin then set out on foot, walking the 45 kilometres of the Jordan River from its tributaries in the north to the sea of Galilee, looking for a section of river with a relatively strong current and easily negotiable rapids. Once he had located a suitable spot, Kreimin negotiated a partnership with nearby Kibbutz Kfar Hanassi, returned to Russia, and brought 30 catarafts to Israel. Several months later, the kibbutz began to advertise the "Jordan River Cataraft Run."

In biblical times, the Jordan River, sacred to both Jews and Christians, was a major waterway, with steep banks and dense vegetation along them, but unsuitable for navigation because of numerous rocks. North of the Sea of Galilee, there were over 20 fords. At one of these, a bridge was built by the Romans, which is now called Daughters of Jacob.

Israeli kibbutz joins forces with a new immigrant from the U.S.S.R. to form Jordan River Cataraft Run. [Ava Carmel photo]

The region had abundant wildlife, and Jeremiah 49:19 says, "Look, like a lion coming up from the Jordan's dense thickets." Over the centuries, however, the river dwindled to a muddy stream, replenished by winter rains but only knee-deep in places during the summer months.

The cataraft run begins north of the Daughters of Jacob Bridge. The tranquil journey lasts about an hour and a half, and for much of the time there are virtually no signs of civilization along the shore, still thick with vegetation. Martens swim lazily along the river while turtles nap on fallen logs.

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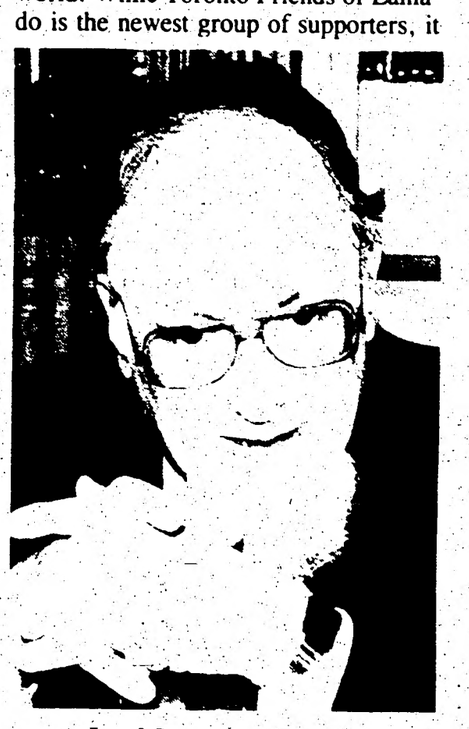
Lord Immanuel Jakobovits to deliver Weil lecture

TORONTO —

Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital is holding its inaugural Dr. Joseph Weil Memorial Lecture on Oct. 28 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue at 8 p.m. The guest speaker is Lord Immanuel Jakobovits, Chief Rabbi Emeritus of the United Kingdom.

"Laniado Hospital is more than just the hospital of Netanya, Israel. It was born out of the idealism and dedication of the Klausenberger Rebbe Shlita, who is better known as the Sanz Rebbe. Rabbi Klausenberger vowed that if he survived the concentration camps, he would dedicate his life to the dream of building a hospital that will deliver top rate medical care and be guided by Torah principles," says Chaim Fachler, Laniado's director of public relations.

From his office in Netanya, Fachler handles all of the contacts with the friends and supporters of the hospital around the world. While Toronto Friends of Laniado is the newest group of supporters, it is also one of Fachler's favorites.



Lord Immanuel Jakobovits

"There is a special closeness between the Toronto Jewish community and Laniado," says Dr. Allan Seidenfeld, chairman of Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital, "especially when you consider that Dr. Joseph Weil and I moved from Toronto to Israel in the '70s to be one of the pioneering members of the medical team establishing the hospital. And since Netanya is such a popular city for visitors, the 'Miami Beach' of Israel, many Torontonians regularly spend part of their vacation there."

The biggest news around Laniado Hospital these days is a historic pledge of support made by the Israeli Ministry of Health. For the first time in the hospital's history, the Ministry of Health has recognized the dire need for growth, and has committed to pay for half of the $7.5 million (U.S.) expansion plan. New facilities will be created, and the current amount of beds will increase by 50 per cent to 207 beds.

The addition will include the Joseph Weil Paramedical Wing, as well as numerous other departments, and the entire expansion plan is to be completed by 1993.

"What we have here is a "wonderful crisis," says Seidenfeld. "The Israeli Ministry of Health has promised its share of the budget, and we have to match those funds and raise almost $4 million in just two years. That's why all of the friends of Laniado Hospital around the world are stepping up efforts."

The public is invited to hear Lord Jakobovits speak on the topic of The Gift of Life or Death? The Crossroads of Modern Medicine and Jewish Ethics. No fundraising will be done during the evening, but the organizers are seeking "Lecture sponsors" who will be invited to a private reception with Lord Jakobovits prior to the lecture. For more information on the lecture, on Toronto Friends of Laniado Hospital, or on how to become a sponsor, contact: 256-0800.

Prager, Cotler slated for Hebrew U. lectures

TORONTO —

Alan Lee Keyes, Dennis Prager, Rabbi J. Immanuel Schochet, Irwin Cotler and Alan Dershowitz will be among the keynote speakers in Canadian Friends of Hebrew University's Issues and Insights lecture series, presented by the New Leadership Toronto chapter.

The series will begin on Monday, Nov. 4 with Gerald Schroeder discussing Genesis and the Big Bang.

Schroeder will argue that science and the Bible are not at odds concerning the origins of the universe and that events of the billions of years that cosmotologists say followed the big bang, and the events of the first six days described in Genesis are, in fact, one and the same.

The lecture will be held at Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St.

The second lecture, A Middle East Update by Alan Lee Keyes will be held Monday, Dec. 2, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

Keyes will share his insights on the possibilities for peace in the Middle East and the role of the Bush administration in this process.

The series will continue in 1992 with Prager and Rabbi Schochet debating Should Jews Seek Converts? This debate will be held at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

Prof. Michael Bruno will discuss the topic of Israel — The Need for Economic and Political Change on Wednesday March 4 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

Bruno will examine Israel's labor unions and the multi-party electoral system and how it has fractured the country's political landscape.

"In recent years, sweeping political change has led many countries to greater freedom and democracy, says Bruno. "These change have also led to the adoption of unfettered free markets. If Israel is to be economically competitive its political system must be reformed and its economy unshackled from socialist economic policies."

Prof. Irwin Cotler will examine Israel and the Debate on Human Rights in a lecture on Monday, March 30 at Leah Posluns Theatre.

Level playing field

Cotler, currently a professor at McGill University, says that if the issue of human rights is to be included in the conference of peace in the Middle East, then comparisons of human rights within the region must be examined using a level playing field.

The lecture series will conclude on Sunday, April 26 with Prof. Alan Dershowitz looking at The North American Jewish Experience — A Reflective Analysis. The lecture will take place at Convocation Hall, University of Toronto.

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Camps

Congress brings Judaic content to Ontario camps

For the 18th consecutive year, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region's 1992 Summer Camp Project will be bringing Judaic content programs to camps across the province.

As well as delivering programs, Congress provides training for counsellors to run Jewish-content programs on their own, and supplies material on Judaic history and themes.

"Our programs are custom made to suit the camps' needs," said Susan Jackson, CJC director of community services and youth activities. "We train camp staff on how to plan Jewish content programs and where to acquire the resources."

Jackson explained that the CJC Summer Camp Project co-ordinator and summer students in their visits to camps from Kingston to Windsor, concentrate on delivering the basics of Judaism "because for some kids, this is the only Jewish education they are going to get."

Concentrates on basics

1991 Project Co-ordinator Jasmine Conen, 19, a Yeshiva University student, said the program, which serviced eight camps, concentrated on basics such as Jewish holidays, Judaic objects and Israeli history. "We tried to encourage the children from 3 to 15 to explore further regarding their Judaism," she pointed out.

This was the third year of involvement for Jasmine in the project. Related the Ulpanat Orot graduate: "It was wonderful working with the campers because they showed so much appreciation for our programs. The kids felt that it was not like school. They participated in all sorts of activities and had plain old-fashioned fun."

Jasmine was joined in some of her visits by Toronto teenagers Avi Mintz, Avi Salsberg, Penny Geist, Leanne Jacobson, Joey Felsen and Talila Conen.

When the Congress team visits camps, they bring along such Judaic objects as Jewish National Fund coin boxes, dreidels, candlesticks, maps of Israel, and props and costumes for Biblical stories.

"Within the program, we tried to create a variety of activities such as story telling, arts and crafts, song and dance, and quizzes," says Jasmine.

At the Jewish Community Centre camp in Windsor, Jasmine recalled, while the team was telling the story of the Exodus and Moses, "One counsellor split the Red Sea by jumping into the camp pool, much to the delight of his campers."

When Congress returned to the camps, Jasmine observed "how much the kids were looking forward to our visits. We got lots of positive feedbacks from parents and camp staffers."

The CJC Summer Camp Project assisted the following camps last summer: JCC Bathurst, JCC Valley and Kidsworld, Toronto; Beth Israel-Iyr Hamelech, Kingston; JCC Windsor; Beth Jacob, Kitchener; B'nai Jacob, Niagara Falls, and JCC London. The program was assisted in part by a summer grant from the provincial government.

For the 1992 project, Jackson says that camps will be contacted in the late winter regarding their participation. The CJC camp co-ordinator will begin work on May 1.

For more information, contact Susan Jackson, 635-2883 ext. 152, or Fax 635-1408.

Children at B'nai Jacob Camp at Niagara Falls take part in Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region-organized Judaic content program. Standing at back are Jasmine Conen (left), CJC Summer Camp Project co-ordinator, and Rosalie Samosh of Niagara Falls.

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Camps

'Right' camp depends on child

By
FRANCES KRAFT

Narrowing down the choice of summer camps can seem like an overwhelming task for parents.

A good way to start, says Ellen Nash, executive director of the Jewish Camp Council, is to look to the needs of your child. Look at his or her likes and dislikes, fears and needs for activity. If your child is a passionate lover of baseball, for example, don't send that child to a camp that doesn't offer any baseball.

Safety standards are another factor that must be considered. If a camp is an accredited member of the Ontario Camping Association, that is a good indication that it has met strict standards. (A directory of member camps is available free of charge from the Ontario Camping Association, as is a list of 13 items to consider when choosing your child's camp.)

Within the Jewish community, says Nash, there are questions of philosophy. Parents usually feel most comfortable with a camp whose philosophy, such as Zionist or Orthodox, ties in with their own.

Before you even start comparing summer camps, though, how do you know if your child is ready? Most children are ready for day camp, says Nash, as soon as they are able to function independently of their parents for the required amount of time. This can occur at quite a young age, especially with the half-day programs available for preschoolers.

Readiness for overnight camp varies from one child to another. Most children tend to be ready when they have spent time away from their parents without being fearful, says Nash, such as on a school trip, or sleeping over at a friend's house. A child who has older siblings may be ready at a younger age than a firstborn child.

Frequently it helps to have a friend at the same camp, said Nash, as it gives the child a feeling of security, especially if they are going away for the first time.

Nash recommends speaking to the camp director and to parents whose children have been to the camp, and asking questions about things that concern you.

Andrea J. is a teacher and mother of four who believes it is important to visit a camp site personally. She and her husband spent a weekend this past summer visiting three overnight camps in preparation for their oldest child's first stay at one of them next summer.

She feels it is important not to go on a visitor's day, but to make an appointment on a more typical day. She kept an eye out for such things as whether the children seemed busy, whether the counsellors were "just sitting around" or actually involved with what was going on, and whether the cabins were "filthy or clean."

Safety factors are also more evident on visiting a campsite personally. At one camp, Andrea was impressed that there was a sign for guest parking as soon as she drove in, meaning that visitors wouldn't be driving near the campers.

Seeing the camp made her feel more secure, she concludes.

A first consideration for Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education, would be whether the camp provides "a supportive Jewish atmosphere."

Rabbi Witty would look for four different elements:

An opportunity for religious expression, as evidenced by such things as havdalah services and Friday night kiddush.

Artistic projects that reflect Jewish ideas and values.

Some type of study component, not necessarily formal classes, although some camps do offer those.

Finally, a heightened consciousness of Jewish concerns and issues in camp discussions or activities.

Beyond the Judaic component, look for a camp with decent facilities and programming, advises Rabbi Witty.

Find out about the staff, especially how they deal with problems such as scapegoating and hazing. "Things happen at close quarters," says Rabbi Witty.

"Kids learn how to build friendships [at camp]," says Rabbi Witty. "[Camp] is one of the most outstanding vehicles by which youngsters learn to cultivate friendships and to be able to develop trust. They learn terribly important lessons that no amount of words will ever [accomplish]."

Camp Reena promotes integration philosophy

By
JOSEPH SERGE

A summer at Camp Reena can be a fun and maturing experience for young teenagers.

"If a youngster between the ages of 11-13 is getting bored with other summer camps, he (she) will have an excellent experience at Camp Reena," said Larry Himel, overseer of the camp's operation. "Here they can have fun and at the same time learn about themselves and others. They could develop leadership skills that they could use in the future," said Himel.

Run by the Reena Foundation, the camp was originally opened in 1975 specifically for developmentally handicapped children and adults. In 1988 registration was opened to non-handicapped 11- to 15-year-olds.

"In the last 10 to 20 years, lots of progress was made in integration, starting mainly in the school system," Himmel said. "And parents had been advocating integration at Reena for a long time.

"Rarely do children with special needs get outside the home, and they don't have the normal relationships that we've had when growing up," Himmel said. "We support the philosophy of integration."

Himmel, the Reena Foundation's manager of recreation, is hoping that the number of non-handicapped children will keep increasing. So far about 20-25 percent of the campers are non-handicapped.

"The integration has been going great," Himel said. "Our only disappointment is that we haven't been able to get more [non-handicapped] kids. The ones who come have a tremendous experience. It's fun and meaningful. There's a personal gratification that comes when children have the opportunity to help other people."

About 80 campers attend Camp Reena during each of the two two-week July sessions. Two two-week periods for adults are held in August. The camp accepts developmentally handicapped children from age eight and sometimes younger.

The kitchen is kosher and Shabbat is observed.

The ratio of staff to campers can be as high as 60 staffers to 80 campers, thus ensuring that those requiring individual attention receive the help they need.

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Hiking, swimming on tap at day camps near Toronto

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

Whatever your children's interests may be, there is bound to be a day-camp in the Toronto area that will cater to their tastes.

Bayview Glen Day Camp, for children ages 3-12, has been in operation since 1962 and is now in its third year at a new location near Don Mills and York Mills. The new site is adjacent to a large conservation area and campers enjoy nature hikes and cook-outs.

As well, the camp offers recreational and Red Cross swims daily in its two custom designed swimming pools, arts and crafts, pottery, drama and a wide-range of land sports.

Bayview Glen also offers many special activities such as overnights and mock-overnights for pre-schoolers and last year a cooking program was introduced which proved to be highly successful.

On site also, is 5,000 feet of decking filled with tree houses and slides, a gazebo, and an air-conditioned school building which is available for rainy day use.

The camp, which has a low camper-staff ratio, offers both a full day program and two half-day programs for pre-schoolers. Door-to-door transportation and lunch are provided.

For information, call director Linda Fishman at 449-7746.

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Country Club Day Camp, located on Bathurst St. in Richmond Hill, offers full and half-day programs for campers ages three to 15. An optional tennis program, for eight to 14 year olds features an hour and a half a day of tennis related skills.

Camp activities include swimming twice daily, music, drama, computers, sports, gymnastics, nature and arts and crafts and each child is exposed to most activities throughout the week.

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For information, call the camp at 764-6320.

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A Crestwood camper getting back to nature.

Overnight trips to such places as Niagara Falls, Wasaga Beach and Blue Mountain have also proved successful.

Children bring their own lunch and door-to-door transportation is provided. Call director Hartley Lichtblau at 740-2267.

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Variety of activities serve children

As well as twice daily recreational and Red Cross swimming instruction in the camp's five heated pools, campers are exposed to a variety of activities such as archery, land sports, a nature program, arts and crafts, music and drama. Younger children enjoy the petting zoo while older campers take part in advanced activities such as photography, and woodworking.

Forest Valley has extensive on-site facilities that include a miniature golf course, gymnasium, sheltered cabins and a lunch building. On-site overnights are quite popular and older campers have optional overnighters to residential camps.

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Kidsworld/Funworld Day Camp is unique in that it caters to children ages three to seven years old. Children ages three to three-and-a-half attend Kiddieland, those ages three-and-a-half to five are at Kidsworld and campers in grades one and two are at Funworld.

Activities include music, dancing, sports, nature walks, creative playgrounds, drama, kindergym and computers. Swimming instruction is provided for campers three-and-a-half and older and specialty staff head all programs. Particular attention is paid to first-time campers to ensure that camping becomes a fun, ongoing experience.

To really brighten the campers' days, Kidsworld/Funworld features daily special activities that in the past have included Space and Carnival Day, masquerade parties or professional entertainers.

Older campers are often taken on outings to such venues as the Metro Zoo or Riverdale Farm and take part in advanced projects such as a newspaper, sports tournaments and clay. Jewish content always plays an important role in the camp's activities.

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Crestwood pays particular attention to its nature program and campers take part in such nature activities as indentifying trees, nature walks, learning to use a compass, a nature farm and overnights for all campers. Older campers may spend five nights in a residential camp in order to really get a feel for overnight camp.

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Camps

JCCs offering winter programs

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —
Children who love camp don't have to wait until summer to enjoy its benefits. Both the northern JCC on Bathurst Street and the downtown Bloor 'Y' offer winter camps such as Winter Fun Days and March Break Fun Days to coincide with school holidays.

Camp Summer Fun, at the Bloor branch, provides five-to-nine-year-olds with a variety of activities including outings, music, drama, arts and crafts, gymnastics and swimming. The camp is divided into two-week sessions throughout July and August.

Summer Fun Plus, a creative arts program, is for nine-to-14-year-olds.

Gymnastics Summer Camp is another special program offered for eight-to-14-year-olds.

For further information on the above camps, contact Florence Marantz at 924-6211.

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At the northern JCC branch, **Centre Camp** offers depot busing, extended hours, an arts program for eight-to-12-year-olds as well as a sports program for the same age group, and a CIT program for 13- and 14-year-olds. The camp takes children from the age of four.

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For further information, contact Camp Director Karen Nusbaum at 631-5678.

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Kids' Kourt is a play group held at the North/East Valley branch during July and August for youngsters age two to five. Hours are 9:00 to 12:00 for the younger ones and 9:00 to 2:00 for ages four and five. Sessions are four weeks long, and swimming instruction is included.

For more information contact Sofie Azen at 889-0813.

The Valley Junior Program runs for eight weeks during the summer, and is split into two-week sessions. It's geared for children five to 11 years old, with hours of 12:00 to 4:30.

Contact Nurit Adler at 889-0813 for further information.

During the year the North/East Valley JCC runs a two-morning-a-week program called **Pint Size** for two-year-olds. Spots in the program are available. For more information call Sophie Azen at 889-0813.

Camp promotes ethical principles

By
JOSEPH SERGE

At Camp Ramah children are given the opportunity to explore Judaism in a natural and fun environment.

Camp Ramah, which is under the aegis of the Conservative movement and affiliated with the Jewish Theological Seminary, adheres to "every aspect of Jewish life," said Rabbi Mitchell Cohen, director of Camp Ramah, "it is not exclusively a religious camp." The camp also teaches ethical and Zionist principles in an informal setting.

Camp Ramah offers many water-related activities including water skiing and canoeing. "It has a very exciting sports program," Rabbi Cohen said.

It features several learning shops including arts and crafts, ceramics, woodwork and photography.

As well, children get to learn Hebrew and Judaica in formal discussion groups. There are daily services and kosher meals.

Campers finishing grades 3 to 10 may attend either a one-month program or the eight-week session. For children finishing Grade 2, the camp offers a one-week "taste of Ramah" program which serves as an introduction to the camp.

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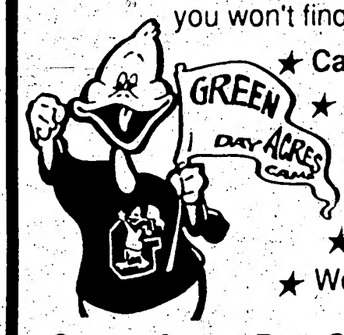

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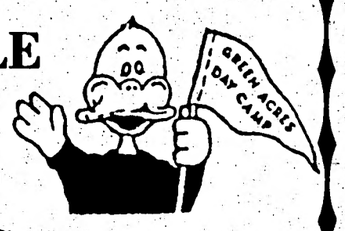

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Sports camps spring up to meet growing demand

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

Fueled by a growing demand for sports specialization, several established all-around camps are introducing a specific athletic focus. As well, a whole new crop of sports camps heavily into sophisticated training and equipment, is springing up.

Green Diamond Baseball Day Camp, which has just completed its fifth year, was the first such operation serving Toronto and surrounding areas, says Michael Belz, co-owner with Wes Pollock. It hosts a total of 1,100 youngsters ages 5-14, over two to eight-week summer sessions.

The camp is located at Bruce's Mill Conservation area near Stouffville. Bus transportation is provided from as far as north as Newmarket and as far south as the Beaches. Campers bring their own lunches, but kosher needs are met for cookouts.

While emphasis is on baseball for 60 to 80 percent of each day, swimming, arts and crafts, tennis and golf are available. The more intensive baseball programs are geared to the advanced players.

Facilities include six diamonds with home run fences, plus pitching machines. The baseball program, which Toronto Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston helped develop, says Belz, covers all phases of the game and instructors are qualified rep ball players. Blue Jays personnel are invited to lecture at the camp.

Outings to Blue Jays games and to out-of-town games are planned.

"There are parents who feel their kids can make major league," says Belz, but the goal at Green Diamond is to help youngsters learn the sport and enjoy the game.

To date, only hardball has been on the agenda and the number of girls at camp is minimal, Belz concedes. However, softball will be introduced next year to attract players who have been excluded up to now.

Green Diamond also operates a general camp for 4-14 year olds at Bruce's Mill.

Robin Hood Baseball Camp, which is about to enter its fourth year, is a division of the long-running Camp Robin Hood and occupies an adjacent site on the Tenth Line just east of Markham. Bus transportation and swimming pools are shared. Youngsters bring their lunches but kosher meals provided by the JCC are optional.

"This is probably the only all-baseball camp," says Dr. Tommy Bacher, a program consultant and field manager, noting that the schedule, because of its intensity, is geared to somewhat older boys and girls, ages 7½ to 14.

"The only extra activity is a recreational swim," adds camp director Andrew Gold.

Robin Hood Baseball Camp is outfitted with three professionally built diamonds, home run fences and quick hands pitching machines plus other "top of the line" equipment.

Instruction is given through a skill station approach, whereby players use certain areas — the batting cage, hitting cubicle, a wall for fielding drill — in rotation. "We have multiple ways of teaching the different skills," says Bacher.

Youngsters are challenged to improve themselves, to play to their personal potential and enjoy the game, not to compare their ability to others.

Special workshops are held at least once per session with Boston Red Sox coach John McLaren and Blue Jays third base coach Rich Hacker. Regular staff, many of them active in local leagues, are not just baseball people, but trained counsellors who stay with their kids throughout the day.

Klub Kidz is the new kid on the block, but the response has been tremendously encouraging, says Robert Wise, co-director and co-owner with Sandi Drescher, of the two-pronged day camp and sports camp for boys and girls ages 3-14.

Nationally certified coaches

The sports-oriented program, for 6 to 14 year olds, develops an interest and ability in such areas as baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, tennis and more.

An indoor and outdoor venue at Dunlace Public School, on an 18-acre ravine site with access to a bird sanctuary, is suitable for both good and inclement weather. The school is near York Mills and Leslie.

Bus transportation is available from central Forest Hill and from as far north as Richmond Hill.

Kosher lunches are provided.

Sports facilities include two baseball diamonds, pitching machines, radar guns, videotaping and a fully equipped gymnasium.

Nationally certified coaches with various specialties comprise the sports staff. However, Wise notes, "We're a camp, not a sports school."

Skill development is adapted to the capability of each child and he cites as an example, the use of adjustable basketball standards which allow nets to be raised or lowered according to a youngster's height, "so little kids don't get blown off the game."

Klub Kidz also welcomes special needs boys and girls.

The sailing club for boys and girls ages 7 to 18, operated through July and August by the **Island Yacht Club**, is open to members and non-members.

There are two four-week sessions or one eight-week session, with 45 to 50 campers per term.

Bus transportation is provided from the Bathurst-Eglinton and the Bayview-Sheppard areas, to the waterfront where a tender waits for the short trip to the island.

Campers bring their own lunches.

In addition to instruction and actual sailing, activities include tennis and swimming, with water proficiency tests available.

Sailing instructors are certified to a certain level, affirms camp director Elliot Lewis, declaring, "We probably have the highest-rated group of instructors in the province."

Younger campers are basically taught the fun aspects of sailing, while the older group develops racing techniques and skills. Those who are especially talented, are developed into competitive racing on a higher level.

The prime aim is to have fun and enjoy outings around the islands. The racing division, ages 14 to 18, competes in regattas throughout Ontario.

Parents are offered four free adult sailing lessons.

The All-Canadian Tennis Camps founded by Davis Cub and Federation Cup captain Pierre Lamarche some 15 years ago, are based on the campuses of York University, Glendon, Seneca and St. Andrews Colleges.

With the exception of St. Andrews, which is mainly residential, these are all day camps. Programs, facilities, numbers and ages of campers (male and female) vary from location to location.

Day campers are responsible for their own transportation and meals.

The majority of All-Canadian coaches have come up through its ranks and several have been national champions, observes camps director Reggi Vasquez. They use the Actions Method of teaching — ball reception and projection — created by Lamarche and Davis Cup coach Louis Cayer.

The program at Glendon, designed for younger players, includes soccer and basketball, but the emphasis is on tennis. Seneca and St. Andrews cater to most levels, but York concentrates on high performance tennis.

All-Canadian's mandate, says Vasquez, is to introduce the sport of tennis properly to youngsters for enjoyment and to develop the high performance player who could go to the national and international level.

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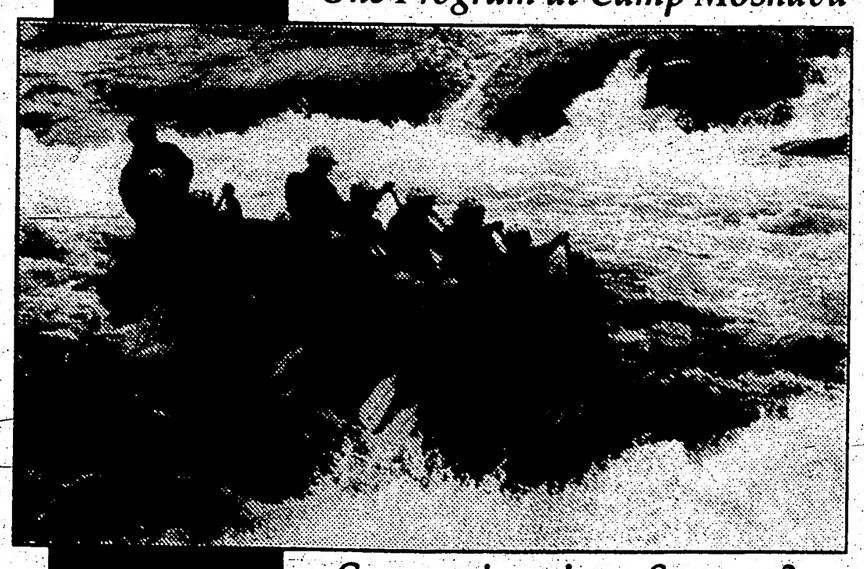

Can you imagine a Summer?

Camps serve Orthodox kids

By
CHERYL KUPFER

Taking a break at Camp Eitan

For many in the community, summer camp is not only for fun. Rather, it is expected to mesh Jewish values, especially religious ones, with regular camp routine.

Camp Agudah is a summer home away from home for hundreds of Orthodox children from all over Canada and the United States. In fact many of its current campers and counsellors are the children of former campers.

It's unlikely however that these children will see their parents' names carved into the cabin walls, as many of Camp Agudah's buildings and its waterfront have undergone extensive remodelling and modernization to ensure the comfort and safety of the campers.

Situated on four hundred acres on Lake Henshaw in Port Carling, Ontario, Camp Agudah is a two and a half hour drive from Toronto.

As well as updating its facilities, Camp Agudah has widened its range of activities. These include such water-related sports as water-skiing, white water rafting, and the water bob in addition to the traditional swimming and boating programs. Last season, arts and crafts projects included staining glass, making and decorating bed-pillows, fashioning country-style cutting boards and using computer technology and laser printing to design T-shirts.

Fun events also take place off the camp grounds. Last summer, the campers were treated to overnight trips to Canada's Wonderland, Wild Water Kingdom and Niagara Falls.

Continuing the learning taught during the school year is an integral part of the Camp Agudah philosophy and it has developed a comprehensive learning program to ensure the ongoing growth of the children's moral development. For girls and boys in grades 9 and 10, a special program was designed to foster leadership skills as part of their training as future staff members.

For more information, call the camp director, Rabbi Moishe Blaustein at 785-5114.

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Camp Eitan is an Orthodox day camp that has something for everybody!

Activities range from arts and crafts, drama, baking, cake decorating, puppetry, music and dance, to gymnastics, swimming, archery, sports, picnics, hiking and overnight trips.

Last year, as an addition to its regular sports program, Camp Eitan introduced a new baseball camp. Baseball coaches provided instruction and encouragement to novices of the game and helped hone the skills of the more seasoned players.

The campers were also treated to trips to Canada's Wonderland, Ontario Place, Wild Water Kingdom, Centre Island, the Metro Zoo, the Science Centre as well as Sherwood Park and Chudleigh's Farm. Special fun events also took place weekly during the camp season, including Capture the Flag, Clown Day, Carnival Day, Color War Hat Day and Bunk Presentation.

Camp Eitan is divided into three divisions, pre-school, girls, and Camp Or Hatorah for boys. Character development (midos) is emphasized at the camp and the children have daily Torah classes taught by qualified rabbis.

A computer program has been developed to familiarize younger campers with computers, with computer programming being offered to those campers with previous computer experience.

Camp Eitan is based at the Patricia campus of Eitz Chaim Schools. Transportation, lunches and snacks are provided. For more information please contact Rabbi Moishe Weinberg or Rabbi Malcolm Levine at 225-1187.

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The Lubavitch Day Camp is located in the Chabad-Lubavitch Community Centre in Thornhill. It offers an eight-week program geared to boys and girls of all ages and from all segments of the Jewish community. Although it is Orthodox in orientation, the camp welcomes all Jewish youngsters.

During camp activities, 'Ahuvas Yisroel' — love for your fellow Jew is emphasized by the staff so that children of various backgrounds will learn to respect one another. In addition, learning programs have been designed to accommodate the different levels of Jewish education attained by the children.

The daily schedule runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday during the months of July and August. Transportation is provided as are daily lunches and snacks.

The camp is divided into four departments including one each for the girls and the boys. Younger children attend 'pre-school,' a division geared especially for younger children. Youngsters under three are offered a morning program called 'Tiny Tots,' run by staff with backgrounds in early childhood development.

A large pool and cabana were constructed on the grounds of the Chabad Lubavitch Community Centre in order to allow the camp to offer a complete aquatic program, both instructional and fun. Other activities include arts and crafts, skits, songs and weekly field trips to places of interest and amusement.

Additional programs are organized by the counsellors after camping hours and on weekends such as overnights, and Shabbatons.

Last summer, Chabad Lubavitch of Southern Ontario acquired four hundred acres of land in Gravenhurst, Ontario. Plans are in the works for the development of the site into a camp. The camp, Gan Yisroel will be part of the Chabad Lubavtich's international network of Camp Gan Yisroel overnight camps.

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Israeli flavor offered up at Zionist camps

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

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Camp Shomria, run by Hashomer Hatzair Zionist Youth Organization is located on Otty Lake, near Perth, Ontario and is for campers 9-16 years-old.

As well as being exposed to Israeli social and cultural issues, campers take part in such activities as water sports, drama, arts and crafts, athletics, music, scouting and photography.

Almost all counsellors are ex-campers and most grew up in the movement. With only 100-120 campers, the camp fosters an intimate friendly environment where everyone knows everyone else.

Camp Shomria runs for four weeks in July but may run for an extra two weeks starting this summer. Camp director Shuli Dichter can be reached at 736-1339 or by writing 1111 Finch Ave. W., Unit 154, Downsview M3J 2E5.

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Young Judea Camps run several Zionist camps for children of all ages.

Camp Shalom, with facilities for about 200 children ages 8-13, is located on Muskoka Lake near Gravenhurst. The camp offers two four week sessions.

Among a variety of activities, the camp offers water and land sports, Israeli dancing, scouting, music, drama and arts and crafts. New last year, and very popular, is the ropes course for climbing and exercise, installed by the Canadian Ropes Association.

Camp Solelim, for campers ages 14 and 15 is located on Clearwater Lake near Sudbury.

Campers at Solelim concentrate on developing responsibility and leadership skills through various programs that are reminiscent of the conditions of the early Israeli settlers.

The camp, with about 125 campers runs for six weeks. Camp director is Shmuel Levkovitz.

Camp Biluim Canada, the national leadership training institute of Canadian Young Judea, is for 16 year olds and operates in conjunction with Camp Kinneret on Lac Mercier in the Laurentians, about 1½ hours from Montreal.

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For more information call the camp director, Gadi Anavi, or the camp office at (514) 735-3167 or write Camp Biluim, 4950 Queen Mary, Suite 411, Montreal, Quebec H3W 1X3.

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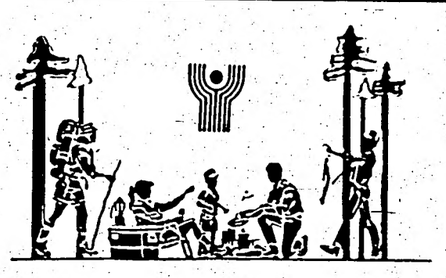

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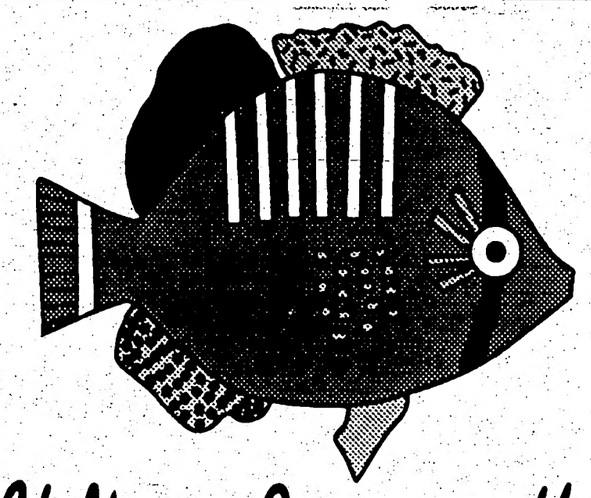

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Arts

Detective Bobby Gold (Joe Mantegna) and a scholar (Alan Polonsky) in David Mamet's Homicide.

Homicide hard to ignore

By
PAULA CITRON

TORONTO —

Homicide is not an easy film to sit through. It is demanding and provocative and makes an audience work hard. Whether it succeeds as good cinema is open to debate.

The film is written and directed by David Mamet, one of the most original American playwrights of the current generation. In the last decade he has produced important plays like *Glengarry Glen Ross* and *Speed The Plow* which confront head-on seminal issues like greed, materialism, moral ethics and spiritual health.

In *Homicide*, Mamet tackles more big guns including taboo subjects like anti-Semitism and assimilation.

The story, reduced down to its essentials, deals with identity and betrayal. An assimilated Jewish policeman has to deal with his newly resurrected Jewish roots and suffers an identity crisis as a result. Underscoring this simplistic analysis are the joint themes of racism and loyalty.

On stage, Mamet's highly stylized staccato speech patterns, replete with repetitions and non sequiturs, produces an edgy nervous theatre of non-communication. On a large screen, without the live performance to lend the human element, Mamet's language becomes mannered and contrived, emotionless and detached.

This artificiality of Mamet the playwright is not helped by Mamet the director. The film is filled with lingering shots of doorways and hallways and stairways as detective Bobby Gold (Joe Mantegna) hunts his man. Chicago has never looked so bleak or so empty — or so in-slow-motion. Another irritation is the quasi "buddy flick" relationship Mamet gives to Gold and his partner Tim Sullivan (William H. Macy) which reeks of mythic deja vu.

Two unrelated plots

Two unrelated plots dominate the film: the police force's hunt for a black murderer and cop killer and the killing of an old Jewish lady who maintained a shop in a black ghetto. Gold is the pivot between the two because he's working on both cases, and when the two conflict, neither goes well for him. In the old lady case, Gold also runs across a shadowy Israeli undercover organization of questionable methods and he makes the mistake of falling under the charismatic spell of these no-nonsense Jews.

Homicide is populated with gifted actors who are well-versed in Mamet's speech cadences and do justice to his idiomatic writing style. The writer/director tends to use actors from his Chicago theatre company who can cope with the repetitive and the speaking-at-the-same time dialogue. But excellent cast aside, the audience has to grapple with a plot that has more intrigues than a Renaissance Italian court, and given Mamet's deliberately cryptic and terse language, obscurity, more often than clarity, results from the inarticulateness of the protagonists.

Nonetheless, amid Mamet's cinematic art for art's sake, is a troubling through-line. In a dark and dingy cellar, Gold discovers he's as racist as the next guy. He also has learned earlier that betrayal by one's own kind is a communal trait shared by all ethnic groups. He also comes to the grim understanding that while he may have thought he's assimilated into the American mainstream, others never forget he's a Jew. Gold has an awakening, but nowhere to go with his knowledge.

In the final analysis, Mamet's highly stylized dichotomous non-naturalistic naturalism works better on stage than it does on the screen. On the other hand, the concerns that Mamet, the writer, raises have to be addressed, which makes *Homicide* a difficult film to ignore.

Talented songwriters win audience's heart

By
GERRY MORRIS

NEW YORK —

For over 25 years the songwriter team of composer John Kander and lyricist Fred Ebb has chalked up a host of memorable tunes for both Broadway musicals and films, catapulating them into the top ranks of American songwriters.

The off-Broadway revue *And The World Goes 'Round* is a well-earned 30-song retrospective designed to demonstrate their versatility. The songs are taken from hits, near-hits, not-so-near hits and some misses.

In this presentation, Kander-Ebb are fortunate in coralling a company of five of the most talented young people in the business (Bob Cuccioli, Karen Ziemba, Jim Walton, Karen Mason and Brenda Pressley). Happily the outpouring of songs, dances and sketch material snap and crackle, and are staged with such verve and sophistication that you find yourself leaving the theatre humming such standards as *Maybe This Time; New York, New York; Cabaret; All That Jazz; How Lucky Can You Get;* and *Ring Them Bells.*

For the most part these were written for the razzmatazz style of Liza Minnelli, whose association with the team includes Flora: The Red Menace; Chicago; The Act; The Rink; and Cabaret. Understandably, Minnelli is their favorite performer, as they feel she best interprets the lyrical excitement and the energetic brass that are most characteristic of their work.

In addition to writing songs for such Broadway musicals as *Cabaret, Chicago* and *Woman Of The Year*, Kander-Ebb have to their credit such jazzy TV specials as *LIZA* (Liza Minnelli); *Gypsy In My Soul* (Shirley MacLaine); *Goldie & Liza Together* (Goldie Hawn & Minnelli); *Ol Blue Eyes Is Back* (Sinatra); and *Baryshnikov On Broadway.*

Much of the credit for the success of *And The World Goes 'Round* goes to Scott Ellis, the director, and Suzan Stroman, a choreographer of unusual promise.

Ellis is a devotee of the songwriters' loser-against-the-world-stance, which underscores their body of work. Kander and Ebb have strong empathy for the underdog, who is struggling against difficult odds, and is trying to reach out for something better.

Said Ellis recently: "You can hear it in their songs. Sometimes you win, sometimes you lose, sometimes you're sad, but the world keeps spinning, and the world goes round, so you have to keep going. Maybe this time I'll win. The spirit of resurgence and survival are always there," he said.

And The World Goes 'Round is a tasteful, tuneful, three-dimensional celebration of song and dance that is terrifically entertaining. These talented songwriters know how to win an audience's heart, and the collective good spirits of a brilliant cast know how to reinforce that triumph.

Appearing for an indefinite run at Westside Theatre, 407 West 43rd St. For tickets, call Ticketmaster 212-307-4100.

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Shul launches music series

TORONTO —

The Toronto Jewish community's longest-running music series begins its 22nd year as Temple Sinai announces this season's events.

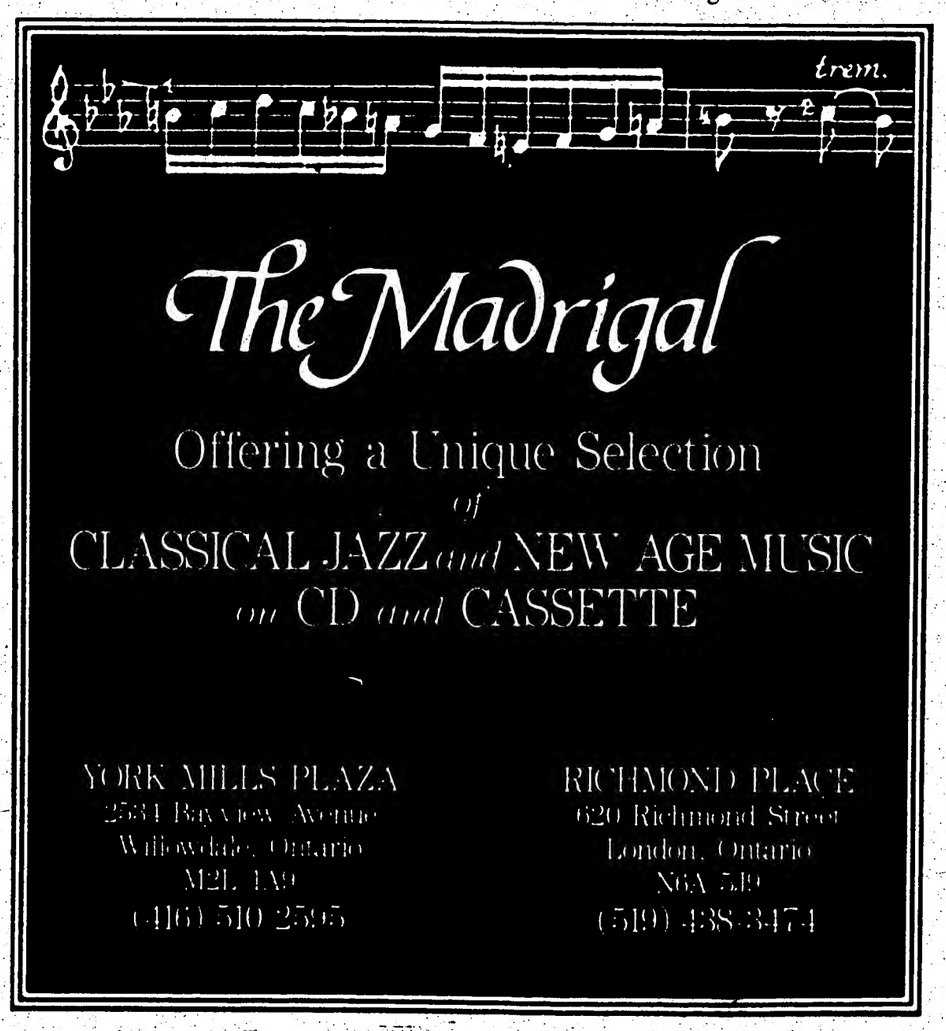
On Nov. 15, noted musicologist-author Dr. Mark Slobin of Boston's Wesleyan University will give an illustrated lecture on Jewish-American popular music entitled How the Fiddler Got on the Roof.

On Jan. 17, the Canadian premiere of *Kol Shalom*, a newly-published musical service by Ben Steinberg will be presented by the combined choirs of Temple Sinai and Temple Emanu-El.

A March 27 concert will feature *The Cleveland Duo*, an internationally acclaimed husband-wife team from the Cleveland Symphony performing Jewish repertoire for violin, viola and piano.

An annual Yiddish Heritage program will be offered on April 10. The ninth presentation of the Sinai Musical Legacy Award will be presented to a young Jewish artist at a recital to be given by the recipient on June 17.

Finally, on July 17, two of Canada's most renowned musicians, Lawrence Cherney, oboe, and Erica Goodman, harp, will present a concert of works by Jewish composers.



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German choir memorable

By
PAULA CITRON

TORONTO —

Holy Blossom, Toronto's leading Reform synagogue, has always had an adventurous bent, but the word "risk" took on new meaning when the Temple presented the Dresdner Kreuzchor and Dresdner Philharmonie in concert performing Mendelssohn's *Elijah*.

The first sight of the choirboys and the musicians, with kippahs perched on their heads as they took their places in front of the Holy Ark, was a memorable sight indeed.

German musical groups have routinely appeared in Israel for the last decade, but for some reason, the Diaspora Jews have been less accommodating to German cultural organizations. That is why the Dresdner appearance in a Toronto synagogue was so significant, particularly because a Toronto businessman of German birth, Claus Kirchhof, organized the visit, and the German government partially funded the tour.

It was also heartening to note that among the audience were many of Toronto's leading cantors and Jewish composers who were there to lend moral support. It was, as Rabbi Dow Marmur said in his address, "an act of supreme reconciliation."

The world famous Kreuzchor is attached to Dresden's historic Church of the Cross and has been in continual existence since 1216. The boys, aged 10-18, under the leadership of Kantor Gothart Stier, lived up to their international reputation.

That these children were able to carry the lion's share of a three hour oratorio is astonishing, particularly because the work was new to their repertory as the choir had learned it specifically for the Toronto visit at the request of Holy Blossom cantor, Benjamin Maissner.

Amenable acoustics

In the amenable acoustics of the Temple, the clear separation of the boys' voices into the four parts — soprano, alto, tenor and bass — was a joy to the ear and their discipline was incredible; the 88 young men were able to stop on a dime.

In Mendelssohn, the choir had to deal with rambling romantic music and Stier, who also conducted the orchestra, had to keep a tight rein on the proceedings, while still urging nuance and tonal color. Mendelssohn produced a polite kind of music; the passion is muted and subtle without the full-blown histrionics of later Romantic composers.

There is always a danger when choir conductors lead orchestras because they tend to concern themselves with melody line and ignore the symphonic complexities and counterpoint. On this point, Stier acquitted himself extremely well.

It also helped that he was blessed with a very fine orchestra. The Dresdner Philharmonie is a superbly balanced musical group with a rich string sound offset by excellent winds and brass. Mendelssohn puts a great deal of emphasis on the lower strings — violas, celli and basses — and the German group managed to make this sound distinct when it could have been muddy.

Three of the soloists were young German professional singers. The fourth soloist was Holy Blossom's cantor, Benjamin Maissner, who performed a variety of tenor parts. While he was never able to completely divorce himself from the distinct cantorial sound that is his trade, in the final quartet, Maissner's voice blended surprisingly well with the other three.

Even though his voice is of a different quality and training, it was important that Maissner joined with the Germans in using the medium of song as a gesture of good will.

School children to see Butterfly play

TORONTO —

Approximately 1,000 children and their teachers from Toronto public and private schools will be viewing *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*. Written by Celeste Raspanti shortly after World War II and performed by theatre groups worldwide, this drama is based on poems and drawings of the children incarcerated at Terezin concentration camp between 1942 and 1944.

Rivka Schechter, artistic director of Mosaic Theatre Productions, has chosen to produce *Butterfly* as an anniversary commemorative. Fifty years ago in 1941 when Terezin first opened, it served as a way station to Auschwitz. It was meant to be a model camp — a showplace for foreigners.

However, its inhabitants were condemned to die. Schechter says, "Although we all know the outcome of this story and this drama is indeed sad to view, we must continue to keep alive the memory of all who passed through Terezin, 15,000 of whom were children."

The two matinees on Oct. 31 have been sold out. Yael Spier Cohen, a survivor of Terezinstadt, will be on hand to answer any questions from the audience. Schechter, who teaches at United Synagogue Day School and is the wife of a local rabbi, says, "Education through theatre is the perfect way to involve students who might otherwise never be reached."

This show is being co-sponsored by the Holocaust Remembrance Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress for Holocaust Information Week.

Presented as a multi-media play, this production portrays the hope and trust of childhood. Youngsters aged 10 through 20 and several adults round out the talented local cast. The musicians and the production crew are also from the Toronto Jewish community.

Schechter, who has an extensive theatre background, won first prize at the Alberta Multicultural Theatre Festival several years ago for *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*.

Additional performances will be open to the public on Saturdays and Sundays, Oct. 26 and 27, and Nov. 2 and 3, at 8 p.m. Call 783-6103 at the Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Avenue W. for tickets. Donations are $10 per ticket.

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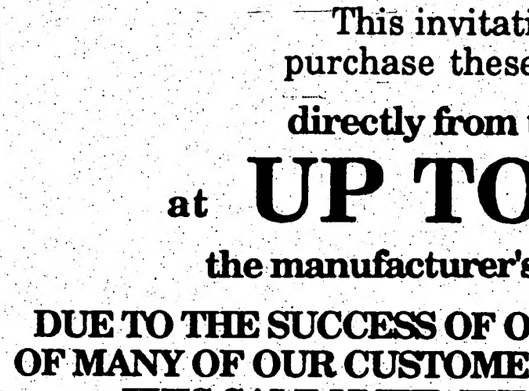

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Arts

Frank Rasky's SHOWBIZ SHORTS

Jewish Hungarian immigrants in Toronto have wisecracked that Canadians are familiar with only three words of Hungarian: Zsa Zsa Gabor.

That bon mot may well be true. If so, I suggest you familiarize yourself with at least one extraordinarily talented Jewish Hungarian artist whose works are on display until Dec. 31 in an exhibition co-sponsored by the **Albert Reichmann** and **Andrew Sarlos** families at the Art Gallery of Ontario, 317 Dundas W. (977-0414).

Frank Rasky

He is **Laszlo Feher**, a Roman Catholic painter who converted to the Jewish faith of his wife. His oils on canvas feature monuments of the past and poignant human figures taken from family photo albums of refugees.

Another gifted Jewish artist meriting attention is 31-year-old, Romanian-born **Gabriella Kardos**. Sixteen of her paintings, selling for $700 to $5,000, are currently being exhibited until Nov. 7 at **Pat Fleisher's** Gallery 291, located at 80 Spadina Ave. near King (364-5541). All of her brilliantly-hued oils on canvas are figurative semi-abstracts that reflect her fascination with the sea.

Most spectacular is a highly sensual version of the Leda And The Swan myth; the scarlet-haired Leda appears to be sexually fused with a golden-green swan, while both are poised over a midnight-blue cascading waterfall.

Kardos, a teacher at Concordia University in Montreal, has inherited her love for the arts from her father, **Emeric**, a former journalist, and her mother, **Vasilica**, who continues to work as a nurse.

The prize-winning painter commutes from Montreal to Toronto, to complete a master of arts thesis which she hopes will wind up as a book. It will be a biography of **Avrom Isaacs**, the Jewish dean of contemporary Canadian art dealers, who recently sold his Yonge Street gallery and now, at 64, runs the Isaacs Innuit Gallery on Prince Arthur.

Veteran theatre publicist **Dianne Weinrib** is excited about the Jewish involvement in the Theatre Smith-Gilmour production of *The Serpent Woman*, opening Oct. 25 at the Poor Alex Theatre, 296 Brunswick Ave. (927-8998). The new updated version of **Carlo Gozzi's** 18th Century slapstick tale about the "racial prejudice" encountered by a human prince in love with a fairy princess is co-authored by **Jason Sherman**, the clever young Jewish playwright responsible for last season's *The League Of Nathans*.

Actress Frances Kushner

Artist Gabriella Kardos

And featured in the production are two intelligent and winsome Jewish performers. One is Toronto actress **Diane Flacks**, who recently starred in her brilliant one-woman show, *Myth Me*. The other is **Frances Kushner**, a 32-year-old Edmonton dancer turned actress at the Haifa English Theatre in Israel 10 years ago. A graduate of the famed Jacques Lecoq School of Stage Movement in Paris, she was a sensation in Edmonton's recent Fringe Theatre hits, *The Glorious Twelfth*, about Irish-Fenian bigotry in Canada, and the earthy comedy, *Orgasmo Adulto Escapes From The Zoo*.

I look forward to attending the following shows . . . Jewish lighting designer **Sholem Dolgoy** will be involved prominently in **Dave Carley's** surreal comedy, *Writing With Our Feet*, running from Oct. 23 to Nov. 3 at the Factory Theatre, 125 Bathurst St. (864-9971). It co-stars two of Canada's funniest mimes, **Tanja Jacobs** and **Stephen Ouimette**.

Stephen Sondheim's Tony Award-winning Broadway musical, *Follies*, will be Broadway North's extravaganza this season, running from Oct. 25 to Nov. 2 at Fairview Library Theatre, 55 Fairview Mall Drive in North York (427-7442). Featured are the Jewish performers **Gail Klebanoff, Judy Gans, Joel Hartt, Sandi Horwitz, Julie Lennick and Debi Gans**.

Tommy Tune's Tony Award-winning Broadway musical adaptation of **Vicki Baum's** 1930s' potboiler novel, *Grand Hotel*, co-starring **Mark Baker** and ballerina **Liliane Montevecchi**, will run from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 at the O'Keefe Centre (872-2262).

I bow out with this exit line by Jewish civil libertarian **A. Alan Borovoy** cited in the superb new edition of **John Robert Colombo's** indispensable *Dictionary Of Canadian Quotations* (Stoddart; 671 pages; $29.95):

"The thin skin of a leader should not be able to impair the free speech of a critic."

Both Hauser and her play intriguing

By BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Lucille Hauser, of Vancouver, proved to be as intriguing as her prize play *The New Montana* when it was presented recently in a concert reading at the Lipa Green Centre.

"I was obsessed with the Holocaust, it was a catharsis for me to write this play," she said.

An actress who works frequently in New York, Hauser told a disappointingly small audience that she got the idea for the play once when she met a Puerto Rican young man in an old warehouse building.

"He said, 'Hey, did you see that thing on TV last night about the holy cost, people being whipped and chased by dogs?'

"When he got out of the elevator, he turned to me again and said,' Hey, what did you think of that?' I replied, 'Well I'm Jewish.' 'Oh,' he said,' well, good luck.' "

The New Montana which won the playwriting prize of the Toronto Jewish theatre committee, chaired by Ralph Wintrob, was performed by Sylvia Lennick and Carol Anderson. It is about Minna Brosh, a self-styled international literary agent, who survived the Warsaw Ghetto, and Donna Nevada, a runaway black girl from Staten Island, who dreams of being a disco star. Both live in their own dream worlds.

Minna loosely based on literary agent

Hauser said she modelled Minna loosely on an eccentric New York literary agent whose office was like a hermit's recluse but who had the incredible luck of landing the manuscript for *The Thorn Birds* and making $5 million on the deal. In the play, Minna's room and office is on the seventh floor of a converted hotel that now goes only to four floors and which causes Minna to have to prove her existence over and over again. Donna wanders into one of the empty rooms seeking shelter.

The New Montana is a beautifully written play. At first glance, one wonders what an aging Jewish woman who talks to unseen characters offstage can have in common with a black girl who has been forced into prostitution. But they find a basis of trust in each other.

"Don't you want to hear about my rape?" Donna asks. "Try the cheese balls, they're delicious," Minna replies.

Minna has the half of her refrigerator that doesn't work full of boxes with old letters, but behind them Donna finds peanut butter and jelly. In the next room Donna finds evidence that an ardent admirer of Minna's once lived there, a man who shaved before he went to sleep and again in the morning.

Jordan Merkur's direction was effective, and Lennick gave a moving performance as Minna. Carol Anderson's voice and physical projection seemed too light and slight for some one who had seen the worst side of the world.

Books

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Birth of the Modern-World Society 1815-1830, by Paul Johnson (Harper Collins, $45).

The years 1815-1830 were those "during which the matrix of the modern world was largely formed." This was a crucial and axial period that transformed society in the realms of politics and economics, art and literature, science and technology, diplomacy, business and commerce.

This book of over 1,000 pages concentrates on the time span that opens with Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo and closes with the election of Andrew Jackson as president of the United States.

In the wake of the Napoleonic Wars, the United States became a formidable country; Britain developed into the most influential of the world powers, the first nation to industrialize herself and to operate in all quarters of the globe; Russia expanded and embarked on the path that would lead to eventual catastrophe in the 20th century, and old patterns of life were shattered in the Orient, Latin America and the Middle East.

The age abounded in creative and outstanding personalities. These included Wellington, Castlereagh, Metternich, Talleyrand and Bolivar; Wordsworth, Coleridge, Washington Irving and Chateaubriand; Humphry Davy, Michael Faraday and Robert Fulton; Madame de Stael, Mary Shelley, Lady Holland and Maria Edgeworth; John Quincy Adams, Henry Clay, James Monroe and Andrew Jackson; Goya, Richard Bonington and Thomas Cole.

At a time of human progress and improvement, resulting from the industrial revolution and the triumph of science and technology, there were also appalling episodes of wholesale murder inflicted upon the helpless and terrible cruelty imposed by tyrants upon entire peoples.

• The evil eye is to be avoided for it can cause sickness and even death. Any behavior that draws attention, any form of boasting or extravagance that causes jealousy is likely to attract the evil eye. When someone is praised it is customary to add in Hebrew "*Beli ayin hara* (without the evil eye)." In Yiddish these words often end up as a garbed "*Kein ayna hora*."

• Kapparot, the Hebrew word for atonement, describes a practice that goes back to medieval times. It involves the slaughtering of a cockerel or hen just prior to Yom Kippur, as a form of vicarious atonement. This custom was opposed by prominent rabbis as pagan, but it has persisted in some quarters. Today, a gift of money is usually substituted for the fowl.

In Yiddish, the expression used to shrug off some personal misfortune is "may this be *oyf kapporis*, i.e. an atonement."

• Elijah, the Biblical prophet of northern Israel, did not die but ascended alive into heaven in a whirlwind. He returns to earth in many guises and is the proverbial friend of the poor and the pious. He attends every circumcision ceremony where a special chair is set aside for him and enters Jewish homes to drink from the special cup of wine at the Passover Seder.

He will appear to announce the coming of the Messiah and will blow the great shofar to usher in the ingathering of the exiles and the Resurrection.

• Urim and Thummim. The breastplate worn by the High Priest contained 12 gemstones engraved with the names of the 12 tribes of Israel. Questions addressed to him were answered by manipulating the stones in some unknown magical fashion. The Urim and Thummin were no longer used after the first Temple was destroyed in the 6th century BCE.

Alan Unterman is a British rabbi and scholar with many books to his credit. This volume is enhanced by over 200 small black and white illustrations. Its cost, however, seems excessive.

Johnson shows how the process of enlightenment and the path toward gradual democracy resulted from the striving of statesmen, inventors, explorers and humanists. Britain, despite its unsavory imperialism, and the United States, despite its relative youthfulness were foremost, in the author's opinion, in shaping the intellectual, economic and political contours of modernity. In 1815, political and social reaction seemed triumphant everywhere, by 1830, the spirit of democracy was plainly on its way.

The book may be read straight through — it is almost always informative and engaged — or used as a work of reference. Several hours with the index, will refresh your memory on such topics as The War of 1812, The Rothschild family, Benjamin Disraeli, George Byron, The institution of slavery, forms of 19th century transportation, the place of women in a variety of cultures, independence movements in Latin America and the power of the Ottoman Empire.

Johnson is amazingly productive. With verve and imagination he produces lengthy tomes, crammed with interesting detail. Among his books are "A History of the Jews," "The History of Christianity," "A History of the English People," and "Modern Times: The World From the Twenties to the Eighties."

This book, a brilliant historical survey animates the entire spectrum of an incredibly rich period, weaving the many strands into a compelling and coherent narrative.

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The Gerineldo Folk Ensemble are top (from left) Solly Levy and Dr. Judith Cohen. Bottom (from left) Dr. Oro Anahory-Librowicz and Kelly Sultan Amar.

Gerineldo Folk Ensemble brings Sephardic culture to life

By
PAULA CITRON

TORONTO —

Beth Tikvah is devoting this year's study program almost exclusively to the Sephardic culture, and to begin the series, the synagogue hosted the Montreal-based Gerineldo Folk Ensemble.

Exceeding Beth Tikvah's wildest expectations, the group, which specializes in traditional Judeo-Spanish songs and traditional instruments, played to an overflow crowd which included the consul general of Spain.

Given the unexpectedly large audience who had come to experience a different Jewish culture and who were more than happy to clap and sing along, "Sephardic" is "in" this year.

While the rest of North America grapples with conflicting theories about Columbus and the explorer's impact on the aboriginal peoples, the Jews are viewing 1992 with different eyes. In 1492, while Columbus was sailing on his first voyage to America, the Jews were expelled from Spain and thus, set into motion, the creation of a whole new branch of Diaspora Jewry.

The Sephardim (which means Spanish in Hebrew) migrated to North Africa, Balkan Europe and Turkey, taking with them the Ladino language and a culture that had been the Golden Age of Judaism.

Gerineldo began its concert with a tape of the words of the Edict of Expulsion (March 31, 1492) which gave the Jews four months to leave Spanish soil or risk death; from here the group segued into a Moroccan Simchat Torah song.

It was a fitting duet — on one hand, the banishment of any Jew who refused to convert to Catholicism, on the other, a joyous song preserved in its old form in a new country.

Gerineldo, which began in 1981, is made up of three Moroccan-born Jews and one whom they prefer to as Sephardic by training, although all sport traditional costumes. Dr. Judith Cohen, the latter, is an ethnomusicologist who has made a lifelong study of Sephardic music.

The true Sephardim include Dr. Oro Anahory-Librowicz, Solly Levy and Kelly Sultan Amar. Anahory, the artistic director, and Cohen, the instrumentalist, are responsible for finding the repertoire on their research trips abroad.

The concert was informal, with Anahory and Cohen describing the contents of the songs in an easy, relaxed manner. The group touched on romances of Old Spain, songs from Jewish life, a wide range of wedding melodies, and the premiere of the *Uskudara Suite*.

Historical ballads included

En route we heard versions from Morocco, Bosnia, Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey and Egypt. Songs reached as far back as the birth of Judaism itself, passed through medieval and renaissance times and ended up in the klezmer repertoire.

Some songs were historical ballads that the Jews had learned in Spain, for example, about the medieval hero/knight El Cid; others were religious, while others, particularly the wedding songs, were downright bawdy.

In short, the concert was a tapestry of Sephardic life in song, although Anahory was not above getting out of her chair to perform a traditional Middle Eastern dance. The quintessence of what Gerineldo represents, at least for this writer, was the *Uskudara Suite*.

The group began by singing a popular traditional Turkish folksong that the new Jewish arrivals would have absorbed, and then traced the changes the tune went through as it travelled through the Jewish communities of Salonica in Greece and Alexandria in Egypt, only to end up as a religious "Piyyut" in Morocco. Perhaps the most off-the-wall version of the Uskudara was a klezmer song called *Der Terk in America*!

To Ashkenazi ears, the Sephardic sound is completely different — a fusion of medieval, renaissance and Moorish melodies overlaid by Balkan and North African rhythms. It is eastern or Oriental with scarcely a hint of the minor chords we associate with music from the Yiddish tradition.

Sephardic music, and by extension, its culture, seems to the Jews of Ashkenazi Europe to be alien and exotic, and not only the songs, but the instruments.

Cohen deftly played the oud, the North African lute, as well as the medieval fiddle or veille, while everyone took turns on the derbuka (goblet drum) and sonaza (tambourine).

We were even treated to Amar's piercing Arabic ululating cry of joy, (which this writer had only seen Palestinian women do in television news stories).

In retrospect, Gerineldo is more a lecture/demo than slick entertainment, but the approach of the members is so "folksy" that an audience is immediately won over by their warmth. Levy had the most obvious sense of humor, Amar the most restraint; Anahory was the most academic, Cohen the most droll.

Together they meld their distinct personalities into the unique and charming presence that is known as Gerineldo. The enthusiastic standing ovation was well-deserved.

Beth Tzedec re-opens museum

TORONTO —

The newly-renovated museum at the Beth Tzedec Synagogue opened on Oct. 23 with an exhibition entitled Textiles and Tradition.

This exhibition will feature items from the museum's permanent collection as well as items and Judaic textiles from a variety of local private collections. The exhibition runs from Oct. 23 through Jan. 13.

More than almost any other art form, textiles are exemplary texts in the field of Jewish art. Unlike items fashioned of gold, silver, or pewter, which, in Europe, could not be fashioned by Jews until the 19th century, textiles were commonly handled by Jews, either as manufacturers, importers or distributors.

Of all mediums available to the makers and artists in the Jewish community, textiles have been by far the most accessible and the most responsive to the ritual needs in the home and in the synagogue.

Among the highlights of the exhibition are textiles from pre-World War II synagogues. Torah ark covers (parokhets), being such prominent items in the synagogue, are very descriptive of the times and the communities where they were hung.

One notable example is a parokhet from the German Jewish community in Pappenheim dated 1783 in which the human figures have been painstakingly removed from a tableau depicting Abraham or a High Priest next to a sacrificial altar.

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Business Outlook

Baskin and Lowenstein to be honored by Bonds

TORONTO —

A business venture that began four years ago has proved fruitful for all parties involved.

David Baskin and Paul Lowenstein head up Canadian Corporate Funding Ltd. (CCFL), a company that provides Canadian money for small and medium-sized businesses in Israel. CCFL works in conjunction with its Israeli merchant banking operation, Evergreen-Canada Israel Ltd.

This venture has been so successful that Baskin and Lowenstein will be honored by the State of Israel Bonds on Oct. 27 at Toronto's Inn on the Park for their contributions to the economic well-being of Israel.

It all started in 1987, when Charles Bronfman asked Baskin and Lowenstein to meet with an Israeli who was looking for investment capital. The plan was simple pool foreign money and invest it directly in Israeli companies.

Under the banner of Evergreen-Canada's Investments Ltd., Jacob Burak, their Israeli contact, would provide the leadership in Israel, while Baskin and Lowenstein handled things in Canada. Burak took $4 million to Israel in the first round of investments. Today, there is more than $8 million in the pool.

"Evergreen does very much the same job as CCFL, except in Israel," says Baskin, who heads up the equity group at CCFL. "Funding is directed to smaller Israeli companies which show good potential. Most likely, our companies will be export-oriented."

"Evergreen has done very well in its four-year history," adds Baskin. "One dollar invested in 1987 is now worth two."

Lowenstein says 35 percent of the first investment was used in one single transaction. It turned out to be the most successful investment to date, now worth six times its original value.

"The marriage of the investment community and the Israeli entreprenuer is something which has tremendous potential," continues Lowenstein. "Our goal is to have significant amounts of money coming from all parts of the world and invested in Israel."

"Bonds is doing what we are doing from an investment aspect," adds Baskin. "Israel Bonds is an investment which will be repaid."

Lowenstein agrees: "Bonds are an excellent way to support a country that is struggling with a 25 percent increase in population. They continue to assist Israel without being an outright donation. The Canadian Denominated Bond, for example, is a terrific instrument, as is the special Million Dollar Note Program."

David Baskin

Paul Lowenstein

Baskin, Lowenstein, and the two other honorees, Leon Koffler of Super-Pharm (Israel) Ltd. and Robert Eli Rubenstein of H&R Property Management Ltd., have earned kudos from Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Ontario Premier Bob Rae.

"This tribute reflects the high esteem in which the honorees are held in the Jewish community," says Mulroney. "Their good will and dedication to good works are much appreciated and they are certainly to be commended for the leadership they have always shown in their respective fields."

"The four honorees named this year stand out by their continuing service and their important contributions to the economic health of Israel," says Rae "The success of Israel Bonds is rooted in the work of many individuals, corporations and institutions throughout the world."

All revenue generated from the sale of Israel Bonds will be injected directly into Israel's development budget funds will be allocated to the nation's infrastructure, including housing and road construction, the building of power plants and sewage systems, and the development of research programs to reshape Israel's economy.

Guaranteed return

Israeli urban planners say the country's current population of 4.8 million will grow by 1.6 million in the next five years. About 1.2 million are expected to be olim. A recent report says the reshaping of Israel's economy could spin the nation into a new economic orbit.

The Finance Ministry of the State of Israel offers a variety of investment instruments through the Israel Bonds Organization in Canada, Canada-Israel Securities Ltd. Most instruments have an attractive rate of return and are completely backed by Israel, which has never defaulted on either an interest or principal payment.

Canadians buy more State of Israel Bonds, per capita, than any other people in the world. This year, worldwide sales of bonds and notes will exceed $1 billion (U.S.) Sales to Canadians are expected to make up 10 percent of that total. According to Erol Araf, national director of corporate market development for State of Israel Bonds, "Toronto was the number one city worldwide after New York in terms of bonds and notes in 1990."

With the introduction im August of the Canadian Variable Rate Issue (CVRI) Bond, employees and pension funds, foundations, and other organizations will be able to invest in State of Israel Bonds. A large number of Canadian financial institutions, including major chartered banks, already invest in these instruments.

"The new CVRI Bond has a guaranteed minimum return of 7.5 percent which will protect investors against any significant decline in interest rates," says Jody Samuels-Silver, money trader at Morgan Bank of Canada and co-chairman of the Israel Means Business campaign.

New Israeli system prospers in Japan

REHOVOT, Israel —

Farmers in snowy regions of Japan are growing tomatoes and other vegetables in winter-time with agricultural technology developed in Israel.

Some 150 greenhouses in Japan are now using an artificial soil and computerized greenhouse system developed by Abi Sade, manager of the Weizman Institute of Science's experimental fields and greenhouses. The two products are marketed in Japan by the Carolina Company of Toyama.

The artificial soil, known as enriched vermiculite, boosts the development of some plants with little or no need for additional fertilizer, and is widely used in Israeli nurseries. This medium has also been shown to substantially increase yields of cucumbers, tomatoes, and other vegetables when used in conjunction with fertilizer.

The innovative greenhouse system employs sensors and a microcomputer to monitor and control humidity, temperature, and lighting, as well as the amount of water and fertilizer the plants receive.

Sade developed both the controlled environment system and the enriched vermiculite as a means of standardizing conditions in the institute's experimental greenhouses and thus facilitating comparative studies by members of the Plant Genetics Department.

Now both agricultural aids have proven their worth in areas of Japan that receive up to two metres of snow. They are also being tested in sunny Spain, where two firms have acquired marketing rights.

El Al registers a profit despite the Gulf War

TEL AVIV —

El Al Israel Airlines, the country's national air carrier, was one of the world's few major airlines that made a profit in 1990. With air travel hard hit by the Gulf crisis, El Al was able to save the situation by developing a unique method for converting passenger planes into cargo-carrying aircraft.

"After the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August," recalls Nachum Kleimann, El Al's spokesman, "we realized that passenger air travel was in for a slump. So we asked our engineers to devise a method for converting our Boeing 747 jumbo jets into cargo planes."

El Al's engineers designed a series of wheels, wooden planks, and pallets that are suitable for transporting smaller freight items such as agricultural produce. The equipment takes days to be installed into the aircraft and costs $70,000, with another three days necessary to reconvert the aircraft back to a passenger plane.

This compares favorably with Boeing's own conversion method which costs $30 million, takes several months, and involves major structural changes such as the relocation of doors. And of course, converting the plane back to a passenger jet would cost another $30 million and take several more months to complete.

El Al implemented its innovative method in close consultation with Boeing, which approved the conversion of some of El Al's fleet of 747 jumbo jets. The information technology was developed by El Al, but formally belongs to Boeing.

Founded in 1949 as Israel's national air carrier, El Al is the world's 20th largest airline. In 1990, despite major leaps in fuel and insurance rates and a drastic drop in passenger travel which forced many major airlines to the brink of bankruptcy, El Al had sales of $785 million, showing a profit of $14.1 million.

In total, 1.7 million passengers were transported, including 120,000 Soviet immigrants who came to Israel last year. Some 169,000 tons of cargo were also transported.

In the first quarter of 1991, with the Gulf War raging, El Al continued to operate its converted jumbos as cargo carriers. When the war ended, however, the planes reverted to passenger use. With world air travel now recovering, El Al estimates that profits for 1991 should be double that of last year.

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Russian immigrants staff an Israeli electronic factory

REHOVOT —

The first Israeli factory staffed almost entirely by Russian immigrants has a very romantic name, ATEZA, the Hebrew acronym for Herzl's famous phrase: "If you will it, your dream will come true."

ATEZA, which assembles electronic components for the North Hills Company in Yokneam, near Haifa, is the joint dream-come-true of North Hills boss David Sinigaglia and two newly arrived electrical engineers from Soviet Azerbedjan, Mark Glickman, 33, and Victor Grinberg, 33.

Their partnership developed because Sinigaglia was looking for a way to help immigrants, while Glickman and Grinberg were looking for jobs. And when they met just over a year ago, Sinigaglia told the two engineers that he would supply them with subcontracts from North Hills if they could get together a group of immigrants to manufacture the parts needed by his company.

Finding space wasn't a problem. The Soltam arms factory, long the mainstay of Yokneam's economy, had lost many of its markets and closed down numerous production lines, so there were plenty of empty buildings in the Soltam complex.

But some $150,000 was still required to get the ball rolling, and that came from four American and British Jews, who were not interested in profits but in providing jobs for immigrants and, hopefully, in persuading other investors to follow in their footsteps.

Dedication certainly is evident

As it turns out, they may make a profit anyway, as ATEZA is already doing very well, thanks primarily to the extraordinary dedication of its staff. That dedication is evident from the moment you walk into the plant: there is no chitchat; everyone is busily assembling the tiny electronic elements that will eventually become part of the computer communications equipment that is manufactured by North Hills and exported to countries around the world.

All the 35 employees of ATEZA, with the exception of Glickman and Grinberg, are new to the electronics field, having previously been musicians and history teachers, mathematicians and physicists. And while they certainly would have preferred to continue in their chosen fields, they knew that the only alternative to a production line job was no job at all.

Many other residents of Yokneam, where unemployment tops 15 percent, would like to join the staff, and, as things look now, some may soon be able to do so. Several additional firms have expressed interest in awarding contracts to ATEZA, and so funds are being sought to expand the plant.

No one is more pleased at this situation than Frank Colb, a former Cleveland attorney now living in Netanya, who was instrumental in raising the initial $150,000 for ATEZA and serves as chairman of its board. He doesn't plan to remain chairman for too long because, if all goes well, the firm's managers and employees will eventually become its owners as well.

Colb admits that what has been done in Yokneam is just a drop in the bucket where immigrant absorption is concentrated. "Yet," he adds, "a lot more could be achieved if people were to create a host of ATEZA's instead of twiddling their thumbs while they waited for others to provide grandiose solutions to absorption problems."

Bloomfield joins bank's board

TEL AVIV —

One of the most distinguished women in Canadian Jewish life, the Montreal civic leader Neri Judith Bloomfield, has joined the board of directors of Bank Hapoalim (Canada).

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Bloomfield, the widow of Bernard Bloomfield, is president of the Jewish National Fund of Canada, a member of the board of trustees of the Combined Jewish Appeal and a member of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency. She is president of the Lady Davis Research Institute of the Jewish General Hospital and member of the board of St. Mary's Hospital, both of Montreal.

Neri Bloomfield

Bloomfield served in leadership positions in almost every Canadian Jewish organization, in addition to the Montreal Opera Guild, Symphony Orchestra Committee, Cancer Research Association, Red Feather Campaign, and in fundraising for St. Francis Xavier University of Nova Scotia.

Born in Romania, Bloomfield was educated at McGill University and Queen's College, London. Her son, Harry, is a board member of the Federal Business Development Bank.

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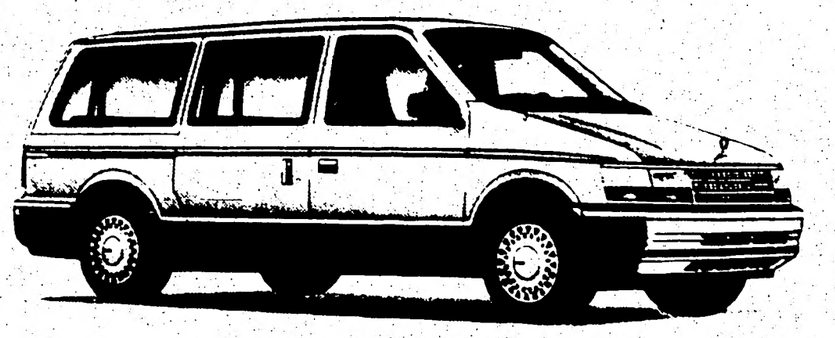

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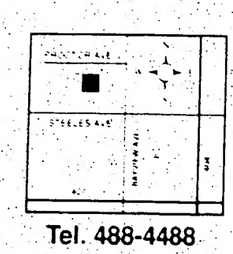

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Pancer, Sam on October 7, 1991, late of 255 Torresdale Ave.
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Wolf, Mike (Moishe) on October 8, 1991, late of 65 Gatcombe Circle.

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55 Obituaries

Lyubov Eskin on Sep 23/91, late of 580 Christie Street #602.
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Harry Rosenfield on Sep 27/91, late of Baycrest Terrace, 55 Ameer Ave.
Belle Garber on Sep 28/91, late of 25 Rostrevor Rd.
Rossie Pollock on Sep 30/91, late of 4 Forestlane Way #207.
Albert Wise on Oct 1/91, late of 605 Finch Avenue W., #1515.
Charles Davidson on Sep 29/91, late of 12 Appian Drive.
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BENJAMIN'S PARK MEMORIAL CHAPEL

56 Unveilings

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Sara Himelstein** will take place on Sunday, October 27, 1991, 2:00pm, at Roselawn Cemetery, B'nai Moishe Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Helen Margolin** will take place on Sunday, October 27, 1991, 10:45am, at Pardes Shalom Cemetery, Farband Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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56 Unveilings

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
WILLIAM SABSAY ז"ל
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Beth Tzedec Memorial Park
Section 4 Plot 27
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
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will take place
Sunday, October 27th, 10:30 a.m.
Dawes Road Cemetery
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Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument in loving memory of the late
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will take place
Sunday, November 3, 10:00 a.m.
Pardes Shalom Cemetery
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Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
MARY MARKS ז"ל
beloved wife, mother, grandmother & great-grandmother
will take place
Sunday, November 3rd, 10:00 a.m.
Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park
Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
CHARLES LEVINSON ז"ל
beloved husband of Fanny, father of Norma & Irving Chapley and Ethel & Joseph Burke of Belleville
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Sunday, October 27th, 1:30 p.m.
Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park
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The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
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Sunday, November 3rd, 11:00 a.m.
Mount Sinai Memorial Park
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Winnipeg BGU Associates celebrates 13th anniversary

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG — The Winnipeg Associates of Ben-Gurion University's celebration of its bar/bat-mitzvah year culminated with a gala weekend Oct. 19-20 including a wine and cheese party at president Marshall Freed's home, another party for the Young Associates group at the home of its president, Neil Stern, on Saturday evening and a wind-up dinner on Sunday evening at the International Inn's Hollow Mug Theatre restaurant.

This was the third and final event celebrating the bar/bat-mitzvah year. In June, the Winnipeg Associates featured an art exhibit of Winnipeg Jewish artists at the Winnipeg Art Gallery at an event honoring their founders and past presidents.

In August, Ed and Marion Vickar hosted an Associates brunch at their cottage at Winnipeg Beach. The gala dinner and dance on Oct. 20 was meant to parallel the Winnipeg Associates' inaugural dinner 13 years ago at which the Scroll of Original Founding Members was presented to Yosef Tekoah (who passed away earlier this year), then president of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

The Winnipeg Associates reconfirmed their commitment to the university with the presentation of a second, "Bar/Bat Mitzvah Scroll" listing current BGU supporters. All those who have supported the scroll will have their names entered in a raffle to win a sculpture by a leading Israeli artist and former Winnipegger, Eli Ilan (Allen Schulbaum) who died in 1982. The piece, *Scimitar* was created in 1976 and is valued at $3,500.

Other events taking place during the evening, hosted by Sidney Spivak, included the presentation of certificates to the two newest BGU founders and other major donors, the Most Valuable Volunteer of 1990-91 to Gerald Ratner (who chaired the Scharansky campaign and visit to Winnipeg last fall), the Young Leadership Award to Neil Stern and a special honorary award to Harry Walsh, one of the original founders and a past president.

The Winnipeg Associates can look back proudly over the last year, a year that saw it contribute funds to the BGU Medical School and Library, the Desert Food Production Fund, the Bandy Steiner Family Counselling Centre and for student scholarships and establish two new chairs — The Harry Walsh Q.C. Career Development Chair in Jewish Law and Morality and the Hoffer-Vickar Chair in Psychiatry.

Looking ahead, the group is planning to mount a mission in May to Turkey and to Israel for the annual board of governors meeting. "We are going to Turkey to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the exodus from Spain because we would rather contribute our tourist dollars to the country that welcomed our people than the country that expelled them," says Anya Strauss, executive director of the Winnipeg Associates.

RISHON WINE FEST

Dancers strut their stuff at the Rishon Le Zion wine festival. This time of the year has several wine festivals to coincide with the end of the grape harvest. This year the quantities of the fruit are down compared to previous years, but the quality is good. In Rosh Le Zion, which has a long tradition of wine making, the festival took the form of folk dancing and singing. [IPPA photo]

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The event will take place at the home of Dr. Michael Bederman, plastic surgeon, and will feature presentations by Dr. Bederman, Dr. Edward Philips, who specializes in cosmetic dentistry, and Rochelle Litman, a psychologist.

According to Bederman, director of the Centre foi Cosmetic Surgery, "in the last decade, interest in and acceptance of plastic surgery has more than doubled in the United States and Canada. It is attracting people from all walks of life who want to make a change for the better."

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